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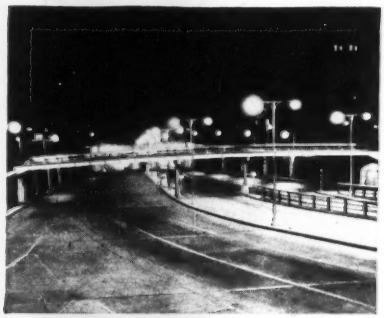

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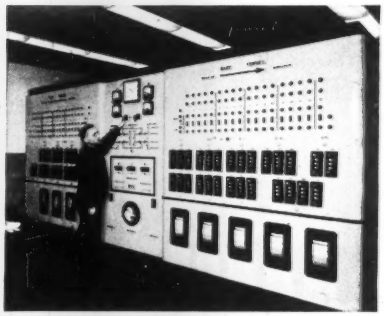

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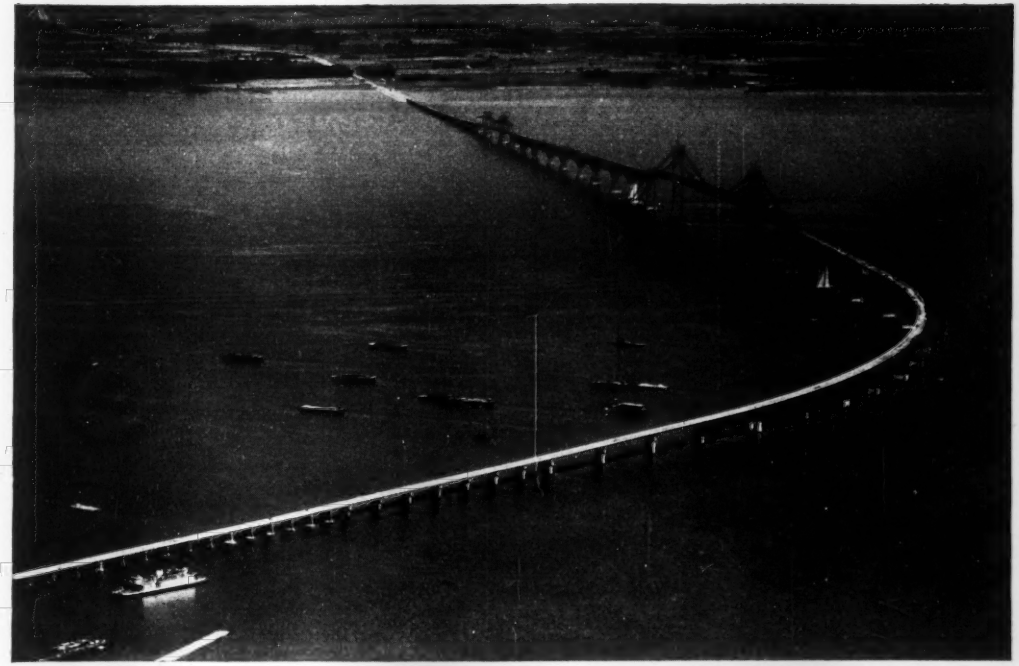
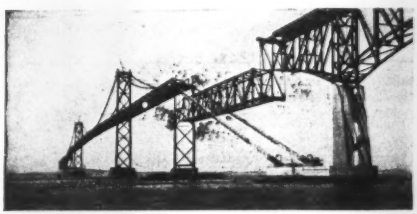


Chesapeake Bay Bridge, with Kent Island in background. Over-water portion of bridge is 4.03 miles long. Total length, with approaches, is 7.7 miles. *Owner:* Maryland State Roads Commission. *Designers and Supervising Engineers:* J. E. Greiner Co. *Fabricator and Erector of Superstructure:* Bethlehem Steel Company.

One of the spans being floated from erection point to final location. It is supported by falsework resting on one of the permanent simple truss spans which serves as additional falsework.



The final simple suspended span goes into place, lifted by four sets of falls. This same span was used as part of the falsework when other spans, like the one above, were floated into position.

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The first span erected was a 300-ft simple-truss deck span, located about a mile from the western shore. It was built on falsework bents adjacent to the permanent piers, and was then floated over the piers into position. During construction the span served as a permanent dock for the erecting and floating of other spans.

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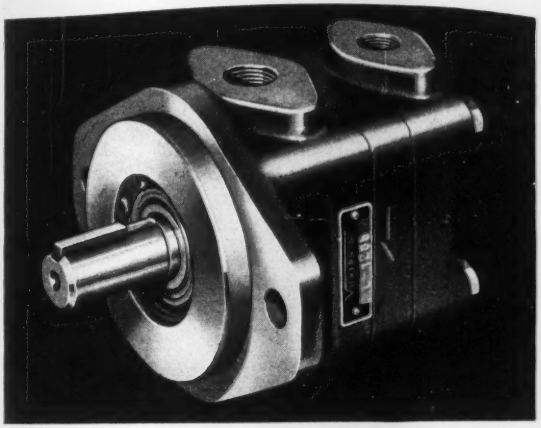

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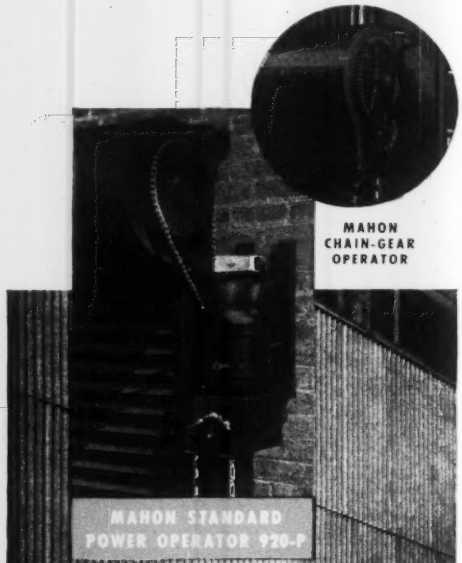

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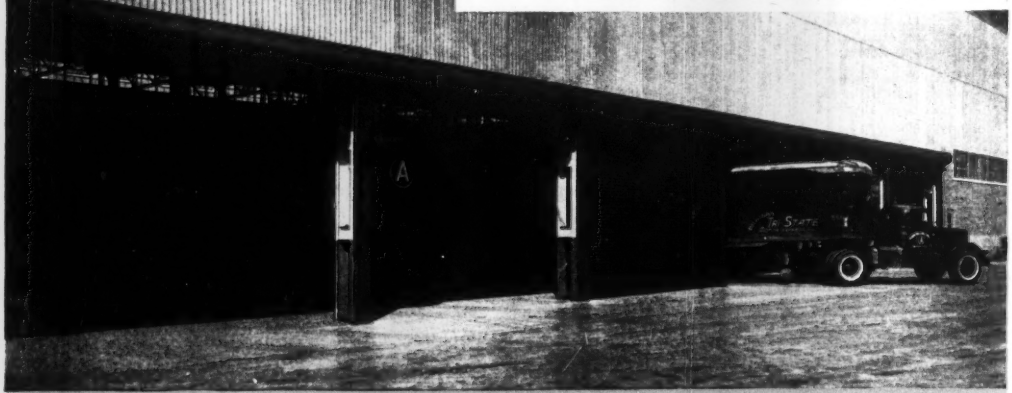

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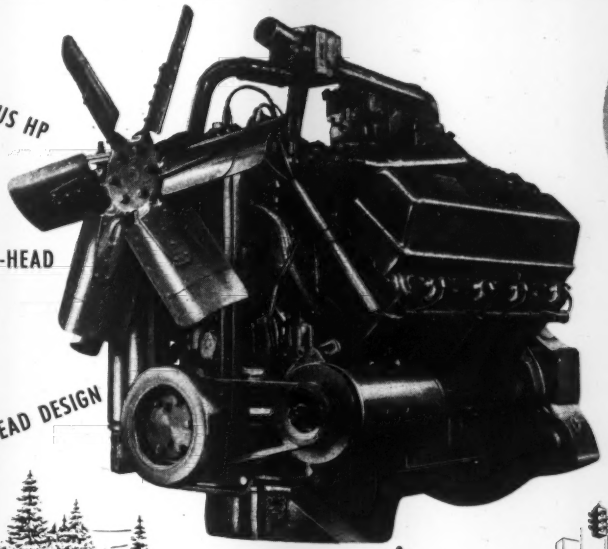

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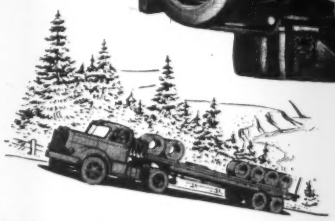

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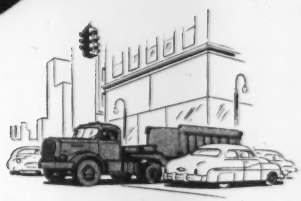

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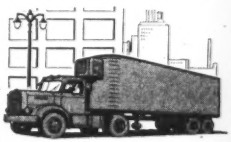

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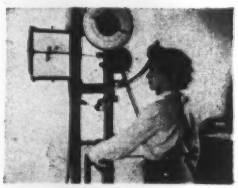

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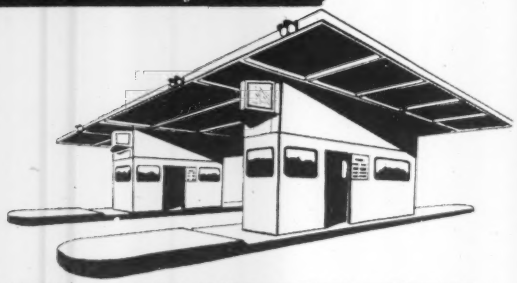

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READER COMMENT

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Sir: Our attention has been callled to page 75 of the July 17, 1952 issue of ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD, on which appears a small news item entitled "Floor Research Shows Importance of Nailing," wherein the statement is made in part as follows: "wood products laboratory of the *Timken* Engineering Co., Washington, D. C." Because of the facts as stated in the story, I am sure that this should have read *Timber* Engineering Company. (It certainly should—Ed.)

EDWIN R. BUTLER
Publicity Manager
Timber Engineering Co.
Washington, D. C

Are test cells adequate?

Sir: Your article, "Heat-resistant concrete for jet-engine test cells," (ENR June 12, p. 48) raises some questions concerning noise reduction in the cells and precautions taken to resist the erosive effect of hot gases.

Reciprocating engines develop a noise level of about 100 decibels, while jet engines create 135 decibels or more, a noise level that is above the limit of humanly acceptable noise. Have these test facilities proved adequate in reducing the noise to acceptable levels, especially in the connected control rooms?

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ALFRED SCHWARZ
Boston, Mass.

EDITOR'S NOTE—This letter was submitted to the General Electric Co. and the following is the reply of the company's engineers:

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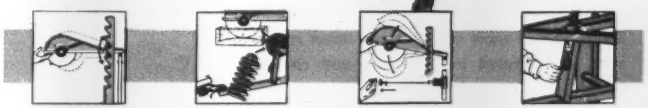

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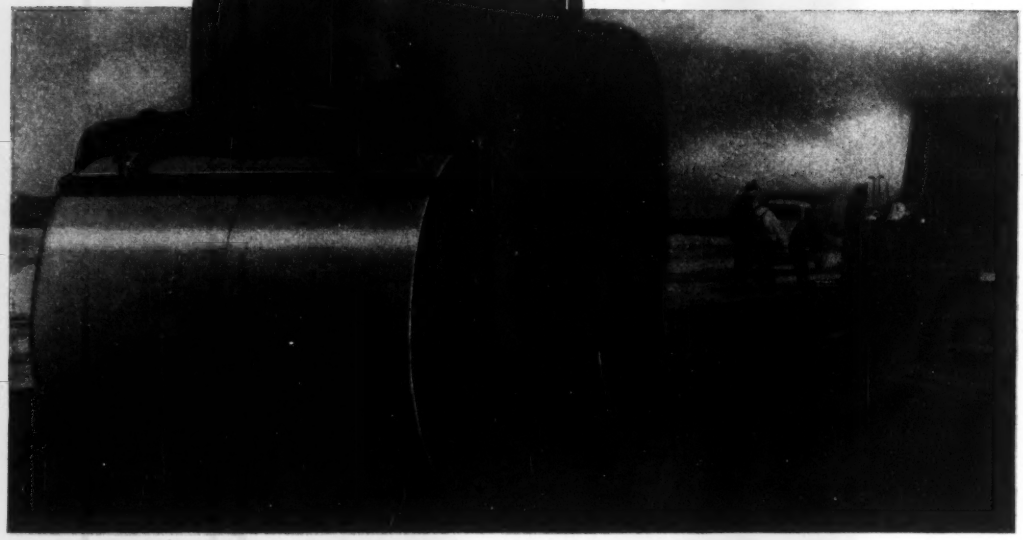

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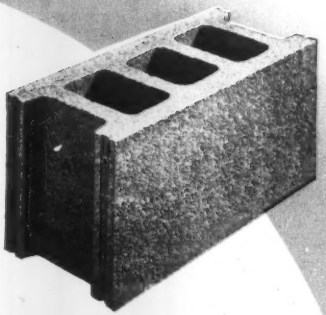

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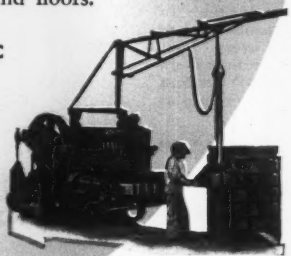

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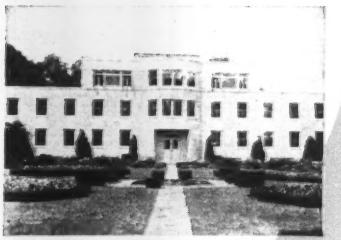

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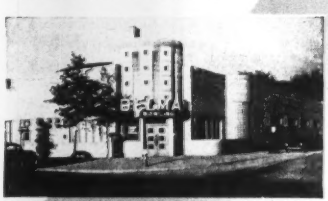

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Rocker should be wheel

Sir: In the reader comment columns (ENR Aug. 7, 1952 p. 7) there was quite an extensive letter concerning rockers and their reactions. It seems that certain considerations which were not mentioned enter into the picture.

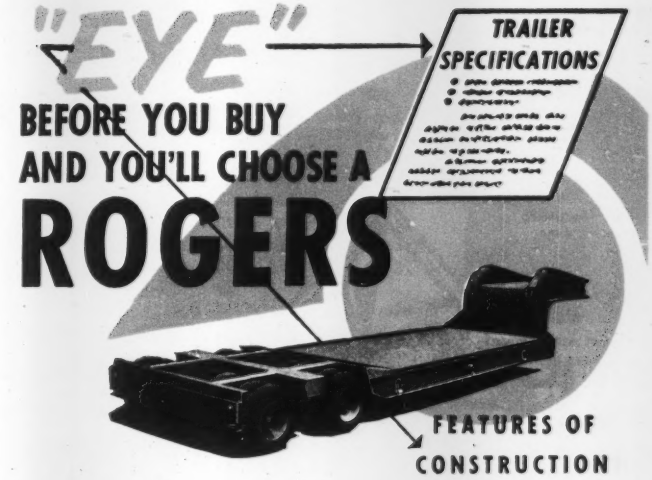
A rocker is intended to be a better device for allowing expansion than the old-fashioned roller nest. It must meet certain requirements:

1. It must keep the roadway surface at the same elevation for all positions of the rocker.
2. It must avoid causing bending stresses in the supports.

To accomplish these results the rocker must, in principle, be a wheel supporting the movable end of the structure upon its axle. Because of the small amount of movement the complete wheel is not needed so a sector is used.

For a wheel to be a success its periphery must have the same center as its axle. Then the load upon the surface on which the periphery bears will always be vertically under the center of the axle, and there will be no horizontal thrust upon the support.

A rocker in which the curvatures of the top and bottom surfaces are not concentric will, as indicated in the



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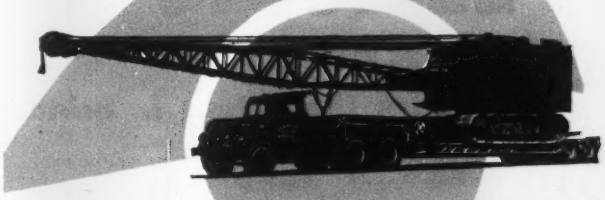

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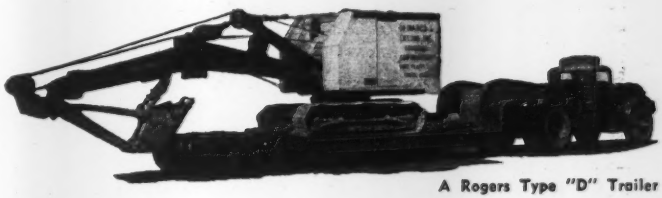

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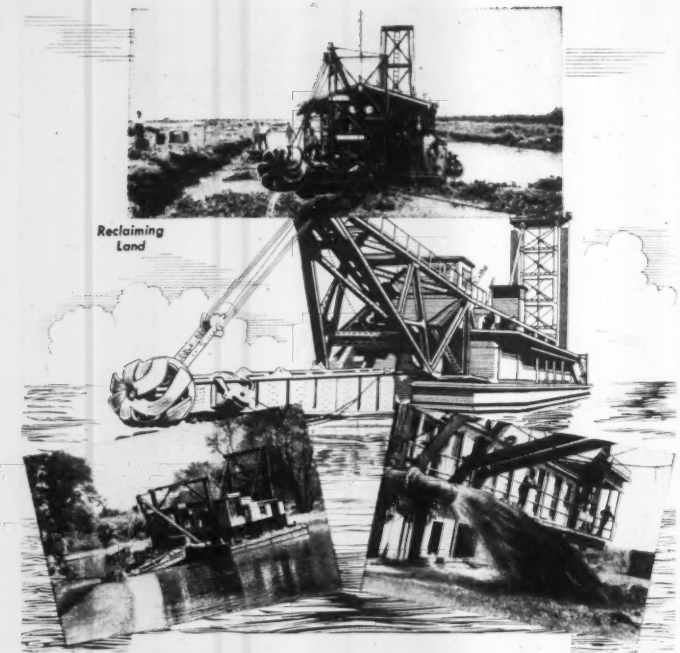

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comment referred to, exert a decided thrust upon the support. A further consideration is that when the angle d/L becomes equal to the angle of friction of dry steel on steel (about $\frac{1}{4}$) the rocker will snap out of place suddenly and drop the span. It may be restrained by the dowel often used, which is inserted loosely in holes in the rocker and the support. Incidentally, it is hard to conceive of a cruder mechanical device than this dowel. Further, the hole in the support will fill with water and rust the dowel away in not too many years.

If the reader will consider carefully the rocker illustrated in the August 7 issue, he will see that the distance L will be different for every different angle that the rocker assumes with the vertical. This means that the roadway of the bridge will be at constantly differing elevations as the span expands or contracts. If the adjoining span is fixed there will be a bump at every position but one of the rockers.

Why not adopt the sound principle that a rocker, to serve its purpose properly, must be a sector of a wheel; not merely a piece of metal with ends rounded to suit the designer's fancy?

LEWIS E. MOORE
Consulting Engineer
Boston, Mass.

Aid or trade?

Sir: I have read with pleasure the editorial on page 45 of your July 24th issue. Much of what you say with regard to aid to "friendly nations" and economic tariffs apply to a lesser degree here in Canada, although we have lately instituted a certain amount of "Buy Abroad" attitude.

If we in North America have come to the conclusion that we cannot stand alone, then our partners must be brought into the picture. If we do this by financial and material aid only it will create a situation similar to the hand-outs of the depression period of the 1930s. This develops a poor moral attitude by both giver and receiver and will finally burst out as a form of utmost distrust and hatred by all parties concerned.

If we realize that all countries are the better for working out their own salvation, with some temporary assistance to offset the tremendous losses they have suffered during the last two great wars, then we must allow them to trade with us. If our living standard is too far ahead of our "friends" then we must be prepared to slow down and allow them to gradually catch up with us.

J. A. C. BOWEN
The Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario
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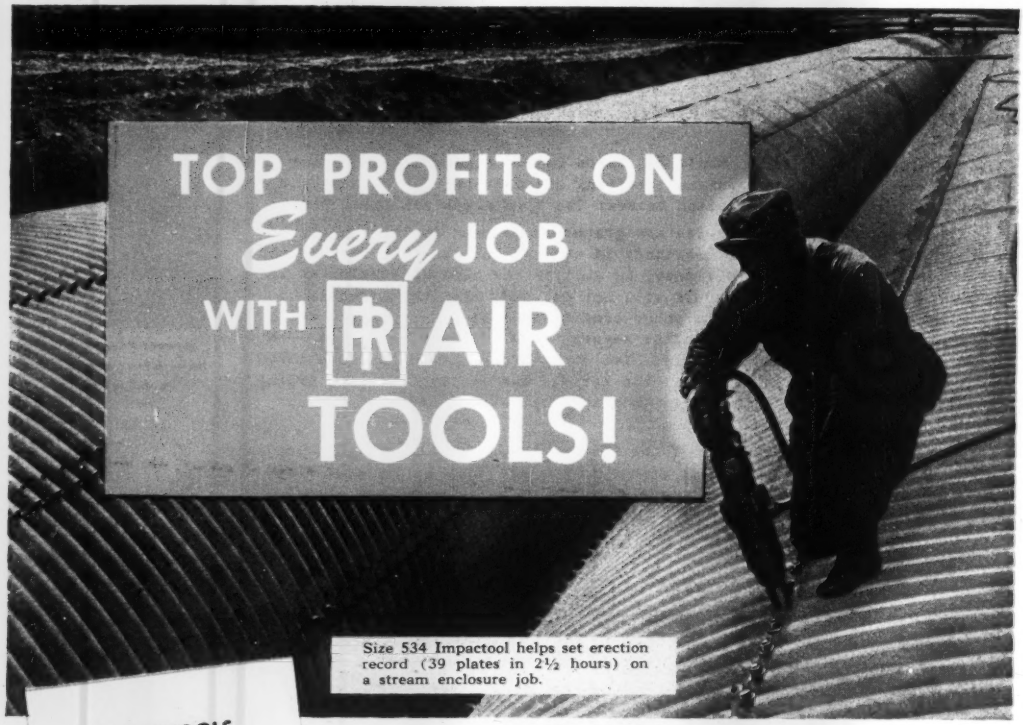

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SCHOOL NEEDS PUT PRESSURE ON STATES

• **The problem**—The U. S. educational system is suffering from "growing pains" that can have a real and measurable effect on the construction industry for at least the next eight years. Last week, Earl J. McGrath, U. S. Commissioner of Education, reiterated earlier estimates that the nation will need another 600,000 classrooms by 1960. They will cost about $10 billion.

Although the 82nd Congress voted increased federal funds for grants to schools for fiscal '53—$135 million compared to $75 million in fiscal '52—the bulk of the burden still rests with the states. Legislation authorizing new or increased state financial aid to localities for public school construction purposes has been enacted during the last four years in at least 16 states. The amount of this state aid totals more than a billion dollars.

State aid for general school purposes—such as administration costs, teachers' salaries, some pensions, etc.—has long been an accepted fiscal pattern in a number of states. But, since the end of World War II, a new trend has developed. Many states are now granting special state financial assistance—solely for school construction. They are recognizing the local problems faced by school districts which have had to face rapid growth in enrollment without adequate school plants to house the children—and, in too many cases, without adequate financial capacity to build the new schools required.

• **The solutions**—The 16 states which have already taken action to speed up their school building programs through state aid to local districts will not be alone. Of the 44 state legislatures scheduled to convene next year, nearly all will be asked to consider financial solutions of the school construction problem. There is little doubt that many of them will follow the lead of the sixteen which have already worked out such programs.

Some of the states carrying out state-aid programs require matching funds from their localities; some make outright grants; others extend loans to the localities.

• **Breakdown**—Georgia, Maine and Pennsylvania are using the revenue bond principle to aid localities in meeting their school building requirements. State agencies are empowered to finance school construction through revenue bonds amortized from rentals paid by localities for use of the buildings.

State general obligation bonds are financing school building aid in California, Delaware, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina and Washington. Connecticut, Massachusetts, Minnesota and Virginia grant state aid out of general appropriations. Alabama's legislature is expected to refer to the voters a state constitutional amendment next year to aid localities. This would be amortized from state sales tax revenues.

New state taxes have been necessary to support school building aid programs in at least two states—South Carolina and Tennessee—both of which enacted sales taxes in recent years primarily for that purpose. Arizona, faced with a legislative report that estimated school construction needs at $121 million for the next 16 years, is looking for a revamping of state tax laws, and Florida will vote in November on a state constitutional amendment to permit use of motor vehicle registration funds for school construction.

Some states, instead of increasing state aid to districts, have broadened the taxing powers of local school districts to enable localities to finance their school building needs. These states include Kentucky, Montana, New York, Ohio, Utah, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

States which are studying revenue measures—either for state aid or local taxing—include Michigan, Mississippi, New Jersey, North Carolina and North Dakota. Action may be expected from these states in the next legislature.

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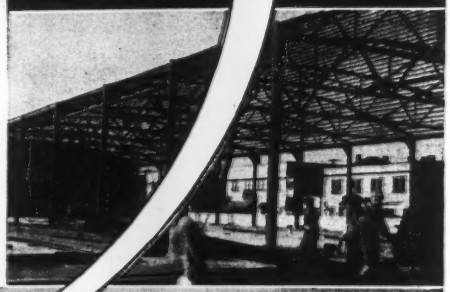

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- **Morocco airbases**—When a Senate Armed Services Subcommittee headed by Sen. Lyndon Johnson came out with a blistering report on construction of air bases in Morocco (ENR Sept. 4, p. 71), it got a lot of headlines. Last week an equally important counterblast all but passed unnoticed.

  In a report to the House, an Appropriations subcommittee blamed the Air Force for inadequate planning and the Bureau of the Budget for unnecessary interference. The Army Engineers and their chief, Gen. Lewis A. Pick, said the report, have suffered a "substantial injustice" through being made the "whipping boys." It also published the detailed statement by Atlas Constructors, and testimony of J. B. Bonny, chairman of the Atlas Constructors' operating committee. After carefully analyzing 800 pages of testimony taken in closed session, the subcommittee said the facts clearly indicate the civilian contractors and architects are not to blame for most of the construction difficulties on the project.

  Further, it said a lot has been accomplished in Morocco. "Less than a year after ground had been broken, two giant airfields were in use, and a third was well on the way." Evidence did not support charges that runways at Nouasseur and Sidi Slimane were so poorly built "they may need almost complete replacement costing as much as the original work." Instead, war tensions of 1950-51 were eased by the speed on construction, said the report.

- **Northwest power**—You don't hear as much talk about a power shortage in the Pacific Northwest this year as you did a year ago. But the only reason is because the power people are keeping mum about it. Right now, the area is worse off than it was a year ago as far as the weather is concerned. Even with help from impounded waters at Hungry Horse (see page 24), there will be trouble shortly—brownouts and industrial shutdowns—unless big rains come soon. And none are expected.

  Meanwhile legal difficulties continue to complicate the picture. The Corps of Engineers has been ordered to show cause in federal court on Oct. 8 why it should not be restrained from impounding water behind Albeni Falls Dam on the Pend Oreille River near the Idaho-Washington state line (ENR July 3, p. 24). The city of Sandpoint has filed suit asking the restraining order and $1,000 a day for the damages alleged to have resulted to the city's sewage plant and beaches from impounded waters. The impounded water will add 100,000 kw of power to Pacific Northwest supplies this year. . . . A superior court decision which would block a proposed $146-million hydroelectric development on the Cowlitz River in southwest Washington state is being appealed to the State Supreme Court.

- **Politics again**—Around every election time a rash of scandals breaks out. They often involve construction firms working on politically controlled projects. Some of the less scrupulous firms are caught actively trying to buy business by placing campaign contributions; others, subjected to political pressure, yield and "kick in."

  Last week, scandal broke out in Ohio. Contractors having business with the State Highway Department were solicited for contributions to the campaign fund of State Auditor Joseph T. Ferguson, according to charges published in the Cleveland Press. An investigation has been started by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads. State and local authorities also may prosecute.

  Photostated letters show contributions ranging from $25 to $250 were sent in by at least ten firms. State Highway Director Sam Linzell, whose own department is not involved, said he would see that the work of contractors who "kick in" henceforth would receive more rigid inspections.

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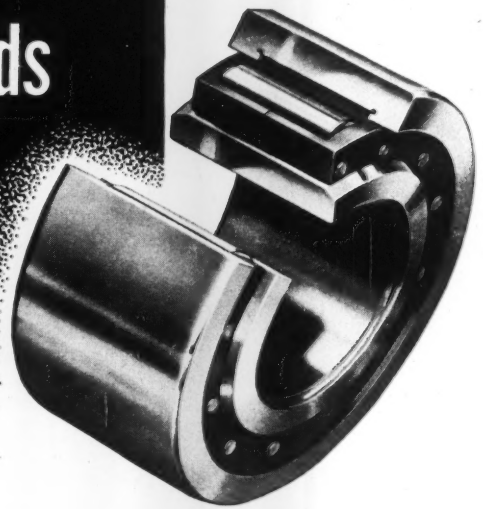

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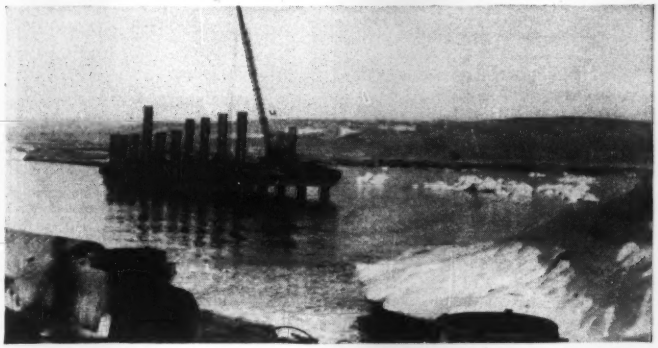


DELONG DOCK, a long way from the Gulf of Mexico, where it was fabricated, is putting down its caisson piles amid the ice of Thule's waters. Four of these docks put together made a permanent 50x1,000 ft unloading pier (ENR May 29, p. 44).

Construction details bared on Thule Air Base project

By Vincent B. Smith
Washington Staff

Operation Blue Jay broke the frozen North. In nine months of 1951, U. S. construction forces whipped a bleak and barren site at Thule, Greenland, into an operational air base.

Last week Army Engineers took the wraps off an inside story for ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD. It is a story of construction problems on a project that in many ways is the toughest the Corps of Engineers has ever tackled.

Victory in their first massed attack on arctic wastes swept away for all time any fears or doubts about the ability of U. S. constructors to master the frigid North. That is the prime significance of the accomplishment, as Lt. Gen. Lewis A. Pick, Army Chief of Engineers, sees it.

The top of the globe is now there for the taking. And the meaning goes far beyond military advantage alone. There are resources to be gained that may prove much more important than defensive strength.

During the brief summer of last year, construction teams hit the chin of Greenland's west coast, 800 miles from the North Pole. By September, they had an air strip in operation—which was what the Air Force wanted. Before the dark night of winter closed down, they had erected a small city that could support base activity and continuing construction by those who stayed on for the winter.

This summer, the Navy forces struck again—but with feelings quite different from those that attended the 1951 pioneer effort. Ocean transport through ice fields and past submerged peaks had become routine. The airlift was standard procedure for moving men and rush freight. Base construction roared toward completion. American constructors had slugged their farthest north outpost into submission.

• **In the beginning**—No bright victory was assured when Air Force Secretary Finletter tossed the Thule problem at Pick on Dec. 22, 1950. The two men looked at a small picture of a rocky plateau, with windswept snow piled up against the crags. Could that frozen site be converted into an operational air base in nine months? Pick said yes, provided Finletter was as fast in furnishing cash as the Army Engineers would have to be in their planning and procurement.

Pick wanted $1 million the same day, $15 million by Jan. 15 and the rest of $50 million Feb. 1. Finletter agreed. And Pick phoned two contractors to come to Washington—Peter Kiewit of Omaha and S. J. Groves of Minneapolis.

They met in the chief's office three days after Christmas. Would they help? Twenty minutes to think it over, and the answer was yes. To their team, they added Condon-Cunningham of Omaha, top-flight earthmovers, and Al Johnson of Minneapolis, canny north-country constructor. With that spread, the joint venturers tackled the job and whipped it.

Everybody pitched into planning, procurement and expediting. Operations headed up in a New York office housing the Northeast Engineer District, the contractors and the engineer-architects—Metcalf and Eddy of Boston and Alfred Hopkins and Associates of New York.

• **Selecting the site**—A preliminary reconnaissance party landed at Thule in February on a weather station air strip. They picked a better site for the airbase, several miles from the plateau Pick and Finletter had looked at. Army Map Service produced a 2-ft contour map of the area in two weeks from available information.

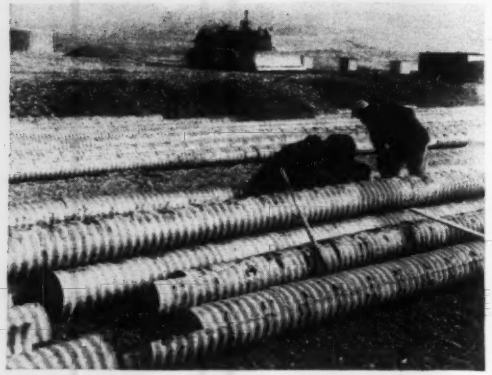
Materials and equipment were ordered running up toward $90 million. Korean reverses had tightened the supply problem, but materials were found—even for the aluminum skin on the Clements insulating panels chosen to inclose the buildings.

Decision to use those panels was quickly made—on the basis of successful experience with a single hut. Orders were placed with six manufacturers, and nearly half-a-million panels were shipped to Thule. The panels consist of 3½-in. fiber glass insulation between ¼-in. plywood sheets faced with aluminum. They are lag-screwed to wood framing or nailing strips.

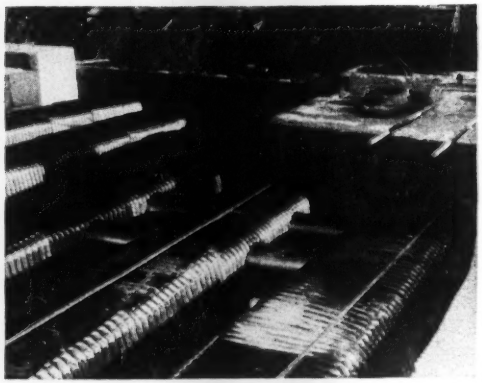
Expediters hustled materials from all parts of the country to Norfolk, the shipping point. At Minneapolis, 5,000 carefully screened workers were trained and held on call.

More than 100 shiploads moved in excess of 300,000 measurement tons and 4,400 men to Thule. There twenty-nine construction teams, with their materials and equipment, hit the beach from ships that were combat loaded, with first things to come off first. It was the biggest peacetime landing operation in Army Engineer history. Another 700-800 men went to Thule by air.

• **Frozen earth**—Pack ice delayed landing of the first convoy two weeks—until July 9. Construction—already started—swung into high gear immediately on runway, hangars, barracks,



KEEPING COOL—Cold air is circulated under the concrete floor of the biggest structures ever built on permafrost. The corrugated pipe circulates cold air to keep the ground from thawing.



KEEPING COOL ANOTHER WAY—The plenum method keeps the permafrost frozen under a concrete floor. Corrugated plenums are circulating cold air in contact with permafrost.

warehouses and fuel tanks. Most of the workers slept and ate aboard barracks ships until permanent buildings could be erected.

Permafrost, or permanently frozen earth, is the main problem at Thule. It has been drilled to more than 1,000 ft with no end in sight. Experts say it goes down 1,600 ft or more.

On top is an active layer 3 to 5 ft deep that softens under the 24-hour summer sun. It is this layer that causes trouble. To support a load it must be kept frozen.

Thule's engineers control this squashy surface layer by blanketing it with an insulating layer under structures. Under heated buildings, the insulation must stop heat transmission.

Small buildings are supported over pads of crushed stone, gravel or other non-frost-acting soil, containing a minimum of silt, with several feet of air space between the insulated floors of the structures and the underlying material. The pad acts as insulation in summer. But for large structures like the big steel-frame hangars, vehicle storage buildings and shops, a different system is used.

A half-dozen hangars are completed or nearing completion at Thule. They are the largest structures ever erected on permafrost. These big structures have specially insulated concrete floors supported on piles steam-jetted and set in the permafrost. Under the floors are placed special pipes and plenum chambers for constant circulation of cold air beneath the concrete.

For the 10,000-ft runway, taxiways and aprons, the engineers met the problem by removing the active layer of quakey soil and placing fill and pavement to a total depth of 6 ft. Each layer of the selected granular base fill is compacted to specified density. Compaction isn't possible much after the middle of September. But despite that short working season the builders met the target date last year and had enough runway operational to serve the purpose of the base for big strategic aircraft.

On the compacted base goes a built-up pavement of several courses surfaced with asphaltic concrete.

• **Fighting the cold**—Sub-freezing temperatures to 50 deg. below zero and hurricane-force winds up to 150 mph make winter difficult at Thule. The snowfall isn't heavy—only 10 to 12 in. But the winds can drift it badly. Streets of the base therefore are located to let the prevailing winds keep them clear.

A number of heating and power plants serve the base. Some are combination plants; others are for heating only. Oil is the universal fuel. Diesel generators in the power plants exceed 10,000 kw in total capacity.

PIPE NIGHTMARE. Corrugated metal pipe enclosing a Ric-Wil pipe enclosing insulated steam lines under a fill.

Steam is distributed above ground through insulated lines. These consist of an outer shell of corrugated Ric-Wil insulated pipe housing the steam supply, steam return and condensate return lines surrounded by insulating material. Barracks and smaller buildings are heated by forced warm air; larger buildings, by unit heaters.

Like the barracks and warehouses, the heating and power plants are inclosed with insulating sandwich panels of the kind already described, widely used to line refrigerators. These panels form the sides, roof and floors.

Hangars, however, have double walls. To the outside of the steel-frame arches is fastened an exterior shell of galvanized corrugated sheets protected by a bituminous-asbestos outer coat. On the inside of the arch framing is a second wall of Clements panels, which can be erected in winter, after the exterior is inclosed.

• **Water problems**—As underground piping can't be used, both water supply and sewage disposal at Thule are handled by tank truck, heated as necessary. The engineers considered use of Utilidor sewage lines, similar to the Ric-wil pipes for steam, but they chose marine-type toilets and tank truck disposal instead, at a saving of $3 to $7 million.

Reconnaissance parties in early 1951 could not tell whether the area might supply enough fresh water for the camp. Consequently the builders brought in and set up three salt water distillation plants that could handle camp needs. Intake lines and jetties were run out from shore to reach under 8-ft winter ice.

Two sources of fresh water have

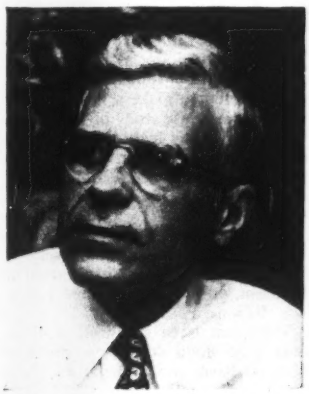
since been found, requiring only minimum filtration and chlorination. The first, now in use, is Lake Eddy, with 70 mg capacity in summer and 18 mg under winter ice. Being developed is the main source, Crescent Lake, to be formed behind a dam by diversion from the North Star River. It will hold 88 mg in summer and 41 mg under ice. The distillation plants will remain as standby units.

In use at Thule are barracks, mess halls, warehouses (both heated and refrigerated) and complete automotive repair, equipment repair and shop buildings, including a fully equipped machine shop. These shops maintain contractor equipment at a great saving where normal maintenance facilities are not available.

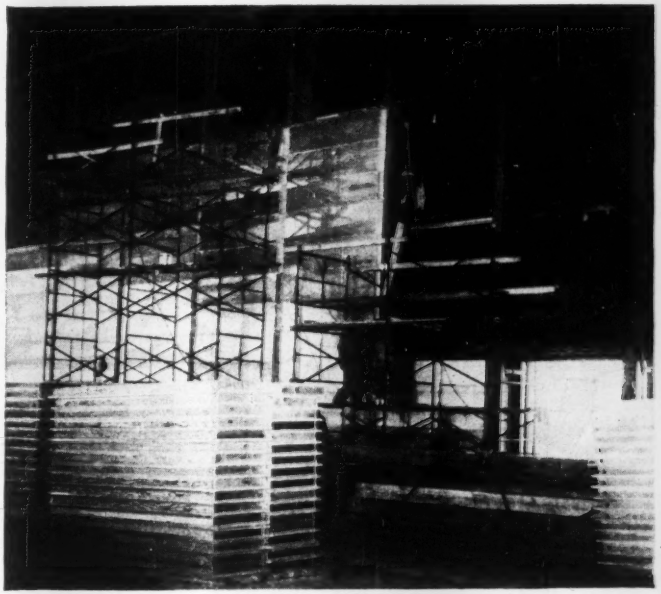
• **Barges become dock**—Late in the 1951 season, the base got a real dock for unloading ships. Up to that point cargo had to be brought in by beaching LST's or unloading from smaller shuttle craft like LSM's across eight finger piers. These piers consisted of LSM's with superstructure removed down to dock level.

For the permanent dock, four 50x250-ft patented barges (ENR May 29, p. 44) were towed from the Gulf of Mexico and positioned end to end. Caissons supplied with these barges then were driven, the barges jacked up on the caissons, and the caissons cut off at proper elevation and filled with concrete. The barges then were planked over to make a 1,000x50-ft unloading dock adequate for two Victory ships at a time.

• **Size of the job**—Manpower and equipment tell something of the size of the Thule operation. Engaged there last year were something like 3,500 construction workers, as many transportation troops and probably 1,000 Navy personnel. This year at Thule there are estimated to be probably 4,000 civilians and troops in a total base force of about 5,000.



PETER KIEWIT, of Omaha, Neb., took 20 minutes to decide to join the project.



CLEMENT PANELS used for almost all buildings on the project are used to line the inside of a big steel-frame hangar. The panel is a direct descendant of the butcher-shop refrigerator box. Six manufacturers made ½ million of them.

Construction equipment runs into big figures. As examples there are more than 30 power shovels, 40 cranes, 150 tractors, 500 trucks, 60 rubber-tired tractor-trailers, 30 graders, 40 rollers, 70 drills, 18 crushing plants, 16 concrete mixers (including two pavers), and three asphalt plants. To those should be added 60 welders, 70 air compressors, 90 pumps and the rubber-tired scrapers, plows, buckets, attachments and miscellaneous equipment that go to make up the construction plant.

To complete the facilities Army Engineers originally were told to build at Thule will cost $184 million. That is the best present estimate. Only the Air Force can say what additions may be decided on later.

Now on hand at the site, as part of the original program, are $26 million of materials that will be put in place next year at a cost of $18 million, to complete the $184-million schedule.

Thule was made possible by the cooperation of the Military Transport Services, the Air Force, Army, Navy, Coast Guard and the Danish government. Col. Clarence Renshaw was the District Engineer in charge last year. His deputy, Col. Morton Solomon, has since succeeded him in the district engineer post.

Damage suit hits engineering firm

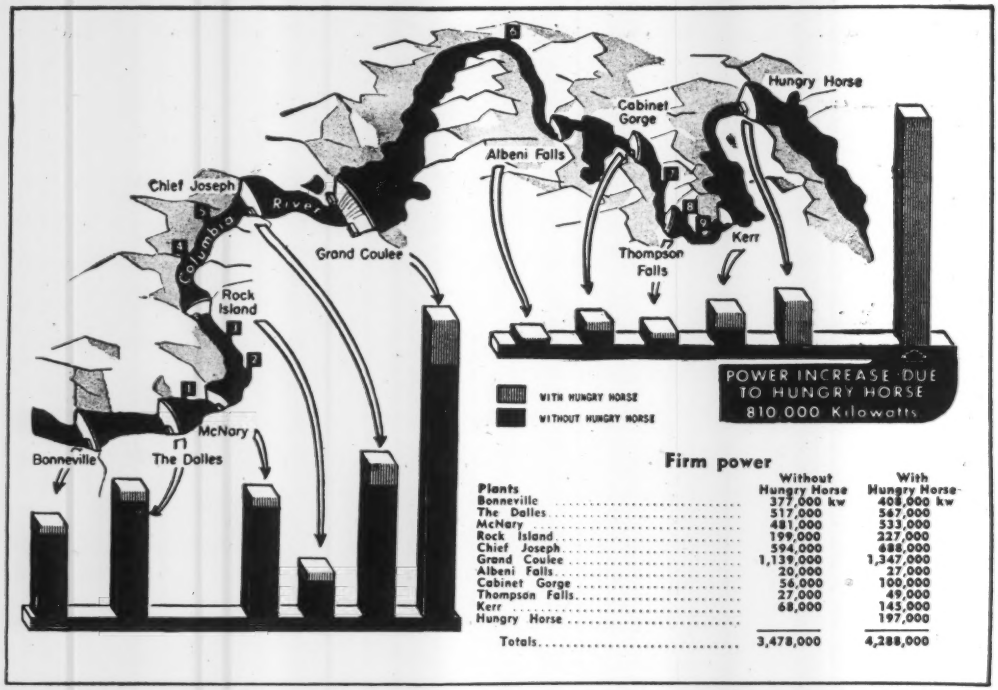
A $275,000 damage suit against an engineering firm for alleged "negligence and carelessness" in a $2.5-million paving project has been filed by the city of Daytona Beach, Fla., in Federal Court at Miami. Defendant is Gannett, Fleming, Coddry & Carpenter, Inc., which the city retained to design and supervise the paving program.

Biggest item in the municipalities damage claim is $150,000 because of the engineering firm's specification for Trinidad lake asphalt. The bill of complaint alleges that this spec "caused the city to pay $132,000 more than domestic asphalt would have cost." It was also alleged that the amount of asphalt used failed to meet specifications.

Other claims listed in the bill:

1—$55,043 overpayment to the general contractor, Brinson Cone & Manley, on the certification of the engineers.

2—$55,049, the difference between the $94,049 paid the engineering firm for supervisory and inspection services, and the $40,000 which the city contends was a fair fee.



Firm power

Plants	Without Hungry Horse	With Hungry Horse
Bonneville	377,000 kw	408,000 kw
The Dalles	517,000	567,000
McNary	481,000	533,000
Rock Island	199,000	227,000
Chief Joseph	594,000	688,000
Grand Coulee	1,139,000	1,347,000
Albeni Falls	20,000	27,000
Cabinet Gorge	56,000	100,000
Thompson Falls	27,000	49,000
Kerr	68,000	145,000
Hungry Horse		197,000
Totals	3,478,000	4,288,000

DOWNSTREAM POWER BENEFITS—Ultimate benefits from Hungry Horse Dam from year-round dependable power production of downstream plants on the Columbus River are outlined here. Additional benefits will go to proposed dams and power plants: John Day, Ringold or Richland, Priest Rapids, Rocky Reach, Wells, Boundary, Noxon Rapids, Trout Creek, and Paradise.

Hungry Horse dedicated

In brief ceremonies at the dam and at Kalispell, Mont., President Harry S. Truman on Oct. 1 dedicated the 3,100,000-cu yd Hungry Horse Dam. He also put into operation the first of four 71,250-kw generators. Thus, the power-short Pacific Northwest benefits from the first power to come from a postwar federal construction project. Other power has been added at Grand Coulee Dam, and McNary Dam is due to add more next year. But Hungry Horse is the first federal project started in postwar days to deliver power.

Concrete for the 3,100,000-cu yd, 546 ft high dam was essentially all in place as the dedication program took place. Only one more block remains to be completed in the dam proper and all concreting operations will be terminated by mid-October. Placing started Sept. 7, 1949 (ENR Dec. 22, 1949, p. 31) and 60,000 cu yd went in the dam that year. This was followed by 968,000 and 1,389,000 cu yd during the 1949 and 1950 construction seasons.

On the date of President Truman's visit, the prime contract for construction of the dam and power plant was 95% complete with only 79% of the contract time elapsed. Contractors General-Shea-Morrison, a combination of 12 firms, have until November next year to complete such operations as dismantling their construction plant. The contract for $43,431,000 was the largest ever awarded by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. Total cost of the project exclusive of irrigation works is $103 million.

Other generators are scheduled to go on the line in December, 1952, August, 1953, and November, 1953. Power contracts have already been signed with a new phosphate plant, the new Anaconda aluminum plant (111,000 kw) and the Montana Power Co. But power benefits were evident a year ago. Water stored during the winter firmed up capacity of such downstream plants on the Columbia River system as Grand Coulee and Bonnneville.

Both private and public plants now built and under construction below Hungry Horse Dam that ultimately will benefit from Hungry Horse storage will include Kerr Dam and Thompson Falls in Montana; Cabinet Gorge and Albeni Falls in Idaho; and Grand Coulee, Chief Joseph, Rock Island, McNary, The Dalles and Bonneville dams on the Columbia River in Washington and Oregon.

Three-man team studies Kansas River Basin

The Kansas Industrial Development Commission announced last week the names of a three-man engineering team selected to make a flood control and land-water use study of the Kansas River Basin. The team: N. T. Veatch of Black & Veatch, Kansas City, Mo.; Abel Wolman, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, and L. R. Howson, of Alvord, Burdick, Howson, Chicago.

Aim of the group is to obtain an "objective and unbiased answer" to flood control and soil conservation in the basin, on instructions from Kansas Gov. Edward F. Arn.

The team is to study all available records of flood stages on the Kaw (Kansas) River and its tributaries, and review and analyze flood reduction plans of the Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation.

$330 million in tubes, bridges under way

I. Third Lincoln tube

The Port of New York Authority broke ground on its $90-million third tube for the Lincoln Tunnel last week in New York City. As 800 guests sat in the Hotel Astor roof garden watching a projection telecast, six officials wielded chrome-plated shovels and picks at the 38th Street site of the New York City shaft, where Gull Contracting Co. has the first $2.5-million contract on the tube.

From the site Port Authority Chairman Howard S. Cullman told the guests:

The third tube will extend from Manhattan to Weehawken, N. J. (see map below), to add two lanes to the existing four lanes of the Lincoln Tunnel. When completed in 1957, it will increase by 50% the annual capacity of the tunnel and will double its peak-hour capacity.

Of the $90-million cost, $40 million will be spent on new approaches and connections to the tunnel on both sides of the Hudson River—$23.5 million in Manhattan and $11.5 million in New Jersey. The New Jersey connection plans are being reviewed by DeLeuw and Brill, consulting engineers for Weehawken. In addition, the authority has agreed to constructing—if the City of New York requests it to, and if traffic reaches 30,000,000 vehicles a year—an interchange system connection to the West Side Highway of Manhattan at about $5 million.

• **The big picture**—The south tube of the Lincoln Tunnel was opened to traffic on Dec. 22, 1937. The north tube was opened Feb. 1, 1945. Since then tunnel traffic has tripled and is expected to reach about 20,000,000 vehicles this year.

"For more than a year we have been working on plans for another two-tube crossing of the Hudson that we expect will be located between the Holland Tunnel and the Lincoln Tunnel. It would appear that this fourth Port Authority Hudson crossing will cost upwards of $200 million," Cullman disclosed.

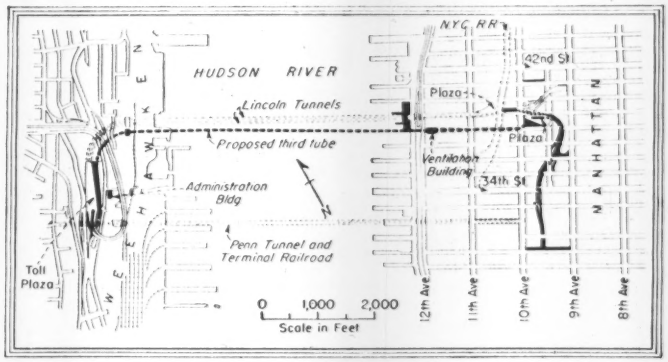
Port Authority crossings—George Washington Bridge, Holland Tunnel and Lincoln Tunnel—have already cost almost $245 million. The $90-million price tag on the third Lincoln Tunnel tube is more than the $87-million cost of the two existing tubes and approaches.

"These facilities have been provided without cost to the general taxpayer," Cullman reported. Port Authority terminal and transportation facilities, through the general pooling of revenues, are self-supporting. We do not plan to increase the tolls for use of the third tube or the fourth Hudson River crossing."

Ground was broken at the land shaft which will be the foundation for the third tube's New York ventilation building and will also contain a section of the tunnel roadway. The New York land shaft and the 360 ft of land tunnel of the first contract will take an estimated total 21 months to complete.

• **Facts and figures**—Here are some statistical data on the third tube:

Length of tunnel, portal to portal—7,944 ft; section of tunnel between two shafts—5,400 ft; external tunnel diameter—31 ft; width of roadway—21 ft, 6 in.; operating headroom—13 ft; maximum depth from mean high tide to roadway—97 ft; steel and cast iron tunnel segments—30,000 pieces weighing a total of 48,000 tons; concrete—35,000 cu. yd; ceramic tile squares, 4½ in. square—2,600,000 pieces.



II. Hampton Roads

A $55-million tunnel-bridge-causeway connecting Willoughby Spit and Phoebus, Va., is recommended by the engineering firm of Howard Needles, Tammen and Bergendoff, of New York, as the most feasible highway route across Hampton Roads.

The firm made the survey at the request of the Virginia Department of Highways. The route it recommended is one of three it studied and construction for it would be cheapest.

Willoughby Spit is the most northeasterly point of Norfolk, lying between Hampton Roads and Chesapeake Bay opposite Old Point Comfort. Phoebus, until this year a town, is a part of the city of Hampton. It lies between Old Point Comfort and Newport News.

Elmer K. Timby of the engineering firm told the Virginia highway department and officials of the Hampton Roads cities, that the project is feasible financially and that, if authorized, it could be started in 1953 and opened to traffic in 1956.

Timby said further that his firm recommends (if the Willoughby-Phoebus route is given approval by the Army Corps of Engineers) that the department:

• Obtain borings along the route.
• Have prepared, based on these borings and additional field surveys, a more detailed estimate of construction cost and amount of bond issue required.
• Determine by extensive traffic surveys a more exact estimate of anticipated revenue.

• **Tunnels and causeways**—Little actual engineering has been done on the project. In general, the plan proposes an express road and causeway to skirt the edge of Willoughby Spit and pass under the main Hampton Roads channel by means of a tunnel 7,200-ft long, then to come to the surface as another causeway on the Phoebus side of Hampton Roads, there connecting with several highways.

The estimated cost of the proposed project is broken down as follows:

• Cost of structures $36 million with an overall cost of construction of $45 million.
• Rights of way $1.3 million.
• Contingencies $4 million.
• Engineering $3.7 million.
• Administration and legal costs $1 million.

If the project is authorized, the total amount of bonds to be sold will be $81.5 million. The additional funds

will be used to refinance the James River Bridge system, now state-owned, and with which the new tunnel would compete; to refinance the new York River Bridge; to liquidate the two lines of the Chesapeake Ferry, state-owned and which operate across Hampton Roads; and to construct a new bridge, costing about $12.3 million across the Rappahannock River.

Portsmouth motorists probably would continue to use the James River Bridge system, built in 1928, which puts Portsmouth and Newport News within 30 minutes of each other.

The route recommended by the engineering firm is one to which representatives of the Army and Navy have given their unofficial approval. The services had opposed any plan that provided for the bridging of any channel used by naval vessels. The Navy also opposed tunneling under its Hampton Roads anchorage.

• **Knitting together**—Construction of the Hampton Roads Tunnel would mark a major, and perhaps the biggest, step in Virginia's program to bring its water-divided communities closer together by bridge and tunnel. Two of these major projects were opened this year. These were the $23-million bridge-tunnel connecting Norfolk and Portsmouth, opened May 23 (ENR May 22, p. 44), and the George P. Coleman Memorial Bridge spanning the York River at Yorktown, opened May 7 (ENR May 8, p. 50).

Neighboring Maryland last summer opened its new bridge across Chesapeake Bay (ENR Aug. 7, p. 40). In earlier years the Potomac River Bridge, connecting Virginia and Maryland, and the James River Bridge system, linking the Virginia Peninsula to southern Virginia were built.

The traffic problem of Virginia, whose eastern area is divided by Chesapeake Bay and the James, Elizabeth, York, Rappahannock, Potomac and smaller rivers, can be emphasized by statistics:

The main bridge in the James River system is 4.9 mi long. Norfolk and Portsmouth are so close that there is no toll on telephone calls from one to the other, yet the cost of their bridge-tunnel was about $23 million. The tunnel alone in the proposed Hampton Roads project is 7,200-ft long and the draw on the York River Bridge is one of the biggest of its kind.

The biggest tunnel job of all is something that is hardly dreamed about, much less talked of. This would be a tube between Eastern Shore and Little Creek, near Norfolk. The distance is 21 mi and modern ferries require an hour and 20 minutes to travel it. Cost of building a tunnel across there? Nobody knows.

III. San Francisco bridge

California will have a new toll bridge across San Francisco Bay.

This was assured Sept. 26 when the California Toll Bridge Authority headed by Gov. Earl Warren, approved plans for issuance of $72 million in revenue bonds to finance the San Rafael-Richmond crossing.

The new span will cross the north arm of the bay and should not be confused with the controversial proposed second crossing from San Francisco to Oakland.

The authority authorized the immediate issuance of $62 million in bonds for the toll structure of which $50 million is believed enough to cover construction cost, including land, rights of way, property and engineering expenses.

A total of $6.5 million will be for the payment of interest on the bonds during the actual construction period and for six months thereafter and $5.5 million as a construction reserve.

• **Structure described** – The plans adopted by the authority upon the recommendation of the state Department of Public Works call for a high level structure with provision made for a lower level if and when the traffic volume justifies. The 36-ft wide bridge will carry two traffic lanes and will be converted to three in each direction when the second deck is added.

Coverdale & Colpitts of New York, engineering consultants, estimate traffic for the first full year of operation at 4,000,000 vehicles.

Assuming a weighted average toll for all vehicles, including commuter vehicles, trucks and passenger automobiles, of 82 cents each, the estimated resulting revenues would be about $3 million for that year. Tolls on autos would be 75 cents and truck tolls by size would start at $1.25.

The engineering firm estimated, and the Department of Public Works concurred, that for the first five years maintenance and operation expenses would total $435,000 a year.

The bridge, the reports show, will be fully self-supporting from its own tolls, and the initial costs should be paid off and retired within a period of 21 years after operations begin.

Ralph A. Tudor, consulting engineer for the toll bridge authority, indicated work could begin before the year is out and with good fortune the span could be up in three years.

The design and construction plans call for a structure 4 mi long, to be constructed with two steel cantilever spans having horizontal clearances of 1,000 ft and vertical clearance of 185 ft over the main navigation channel and 135 ft over the secondary channel.

• **Opposition encountered**—Like most public works projects, the San Rafael-Richmond Bridge plans did not gain the full accord of the persons affected.

Strong opposition developed from advocates of a proposal to dam the bay, thus making the barrier a multiple purpose project—serving as a vehicle crossing, stopping salt water encroachment and creating a huge fresh water lake which would supplement the water supply of the fast-growing San Francisco Bay and peninsula area.

Tudor said the possibility of combining a highway crossing with an earthfill barrier was studied and found "expensive beyond the means of the toll bridge authority to finance."

The department explained that provision will be made in the resolution or indenture under which revenue bonds may be issued for permission to construct any salt water barrier without limitation of distance from the bridge, with these restrictions:

Revenue bonds issued for the bridge either must be retired simultaneously with the issuance of bonds for any toll crossing over the top of the salt water barrier or be secured by a first lien both on the revenues of the bridge and any other such competitive toll highway crossing over the salt water barrier.

Governor Warren emphasized whatever action was taken would not be an inference that "we oppose any water program."

"A salt water barrier has been dreamed of for over 20 years," he added. "I don't know whether it is feasible. I wish the legislature would appropriate money for the studies that would let us know."

IV. Delaware bridge

The Delaware River Port Authority took the first step last week on its first project, a $91-million bridge linking Philadelphia, Pa. and Gloucester, N. J.

The authority appointed the firms of Amman and Whitney of New York and Modjeski and Masters of Harrisburg, Pa., to act jointly in designing and supervising construction.

The engineering firms were retained jointly at a fee of 5½% of the construction costs on the bridge proper. These costs are estimated at $61 million. The authority at the same time voted to include a seventh lane in the plans, raising the cost $2.75 million.

AFL convention decides seaway stand

The AFL convention held its final meetings last week in the Commodore Hotel, in New York City. Two issues which had been in dispute because of differences in resolutions—the Central Arizona Project and the St. Lawrence Seaway Project—were settled in favor of the executive council of the AFL.

The executive council had favored the Arizona project and opposed the seaway project. Opposing the Arizona project was the California State Federation. In favor of the seaway project was the Wisconsin State Federation (ENR Sept. 25, p. 31).

The executive council report and recommendations were the first to be voted on and, in consequence, since the report was accepted as read, the subsequent resolutions offered by both the California and Wisconsin federations died.

• **Other business transacted**—Aside from these two differences, the rest of the business of the convention—including backing Adlai Stevenson and re-electing the same officers who have led the union for the past year—went smoothly.

The convention ratified resolutions favoring:

- Public housing—135,000 units yearly.
- Slum clearance and urban development.
- Rent control.
- Federal aid for school construction.
- Walsh-Healy Public Contracts Act, as originally written.
- Plattsburg cantonment.
- Ice Harbor Dam.
- $1.25 minimum wage.
- Development of the Rio Grande valley.

• **Building Trades Department report**—The report of the Building Trades Department was also adopted by the convention.

The report said that charters were issued to five newly organized local building and construction trades councils and two newly organized state councils. This meant that the total of local councils is now 571 and the total of state councils has increased to 19.

Prospects for full employment in the building trades during the coming year are most encouraging, said the report.

The report also covered the activities of the department in the field of jurisdictional disputes; the apprenticeship training program, and the fight against the Taft-Hartley act, in which it was an enthusiastic fighter.

No money for strike-idle despite later discharge

An important new point in the interpretation of the California law banning strike-idled workers from unemployment insurance benefits has been determined by the state's supreme court.

In a 6-to-1 decision, the Court held mill workers of the Pacific Lumber Co. of Scotia, Calif., ineligible for benefits despite the fact that the company had served discharge notices after they had refused to go through a woodsmen's picket line.

The supreme court's stand was that the trade dispute was the reason for the idleness.

The state law makes ineligible for unemployment insurance benefits those who are out of work because of a strike.

The Humboldt County Superior Court and the District Court of Appeals had ruled the mill workers were entitled to benefits on the ground that they were discharged.

The supreme court's reversal does not take issue with this opinion of the lower courts but carried the question a step further by deciding the firing made little difference because the mill workers refused to cross the picket line and would have been idle anyway.

In reciting the facts, the supreme court opinion pointed out that the mill workers became idle in 1946 when they declined to cross the picket line set up by the woodsmen.

The company thereafter attempted to reopen its mill but when an insufficient number of workers showed up, notices of employment termination were given.

$92,000 overpayments

The Wage Stabilization Board said last week that two Phoenix, Ariz., building firms have been charged with making $92,000 in wage payments in violation of the stabilization act.

The two firms named—F. and S. Construction Co., Inc., and the Hoffman Plastering Co., of Phoenix—have been building housing projects in Colorado, Arizona, New Mexico and Ohio.

WSB said that it had received complaints in the Denver area that the two firms were paying above ceiling rates to plasterers and lathers.

The complaints said that $626,000 in wages was involved and that $92,000 of this was in excess of permissible wage rates.

The charges were filed by the Denver Regional Wage Stabilization Board with the National (wage) Enforcement Commission last week in Washington, D. C. The board said the case has been under investigation for several months.

2 Milwaukee unions guilty of interference

Two Milwaukee AFL building trades unions were found guilty by the state Employment Relations Board of attempting to interfere with the business operations of two separate contractors.

Named in one case by the board was the sheet metal workers' union, and in the other Local 601 of the AFL Steamfitters' Union.

The board found that the sheet metal workers' union had sought to put the Strutz Heating & Air Conditioning Co. out of business by refusing to supply the firm with union help and by picketing its jobs.

Albert E. Strutz, Jr., operator of the business, had been a journeyman in the union and his difficulties began when he tried to go into business for himself.

In the case involving the steamfitters' union, the board found that Elmer Mayer, a union business agent, had threatened to picket a job of the Koehler Refrigeration Service, "with the intention of injuring" the firm's business.

The board found that Fred Koehler, operator of the firm, had asked to sign up with the union as a contractor, or to join the union, if that were necessary.

Koehler, according to the findings, was advised by Gerald J. Enright, union business manager, that the union could not sign an agreement unless he employed a full-time journeyman and that Koehler must have five years' experience in the refrigeration business before being allowed to take an examination for the purpose of becoming a journeyman.

Both Strutz and Koehler are at the present time affiliated with independent unions.

THE MOUNTAINOUS CHARACTER of much of the country through which the highway from Cochabamba to Santa Cruz in Bolivia is being built calls for heavy grading and costly access roads.

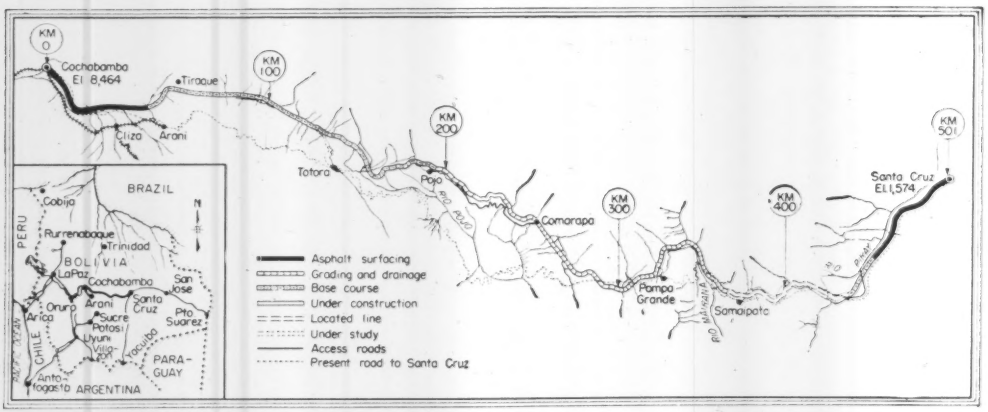
Second try promises success on spectacular mountain highway

GRADING WORK on a modern highway between Cochabamba, in the mountainous part of Bolivia, and Santa Cruz, in the upper reaches of the Amazon River basin, is now so far advanced that completion of this difficult project can be confidently expected by December, 1953.

This is the second attempt to provide a much-needed highway connection between the important mining communities of Bolivia's "altiplano" region, where food production is difficult and fuel is non-existent, and the lower central part of the country which is potentially capable of producing plentiful food supplies and contains large proven reserves of petroleum.

The location of the highway and the preparation of detailed plans and quantities was begun by the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads in 1943 and was completed by them in 1948 at a cost of $2,363,500. This in itself was a difficult and arduous task on account of the rough terrain and lack of roads.

The highway when completed will have a total length of 312 miles (500 kms.). From Cochabamba, at El. 8,464, it must climb over several ranges



STARTING AT COCHABAMBA, at an elevation of over 8,000 ft, the highway runs in a general easterly direction, climbing to around 12,000 ft near Km 75 before it begins to descend to the low country around Santa Cruz.

of mountains, the highest pass being at an elevation of 12,000 ft., near Km 75, before debouching on the level plains about 35 miles out of Santa Cruz. The latter city is at El. 1,574.

• **Start made in 1945**—The first attempt to build this highway was made in 1945 (ENR, Oct. 3, 1946, p. 67). At that time the Bolivian Development Corporation (Corporación Boliviana de Fomento) borrowed $25 million from the U. S. Export-Import Bank (ENR, July 26, 1945, p. 88) and let a $9,500,000 construction contract to the Compañia McGraw-Warren, S. A., for the construction of the highway. The McGraw-Warren contract did not include the direct purchase of the construction equipment, which was handled by a purchasing commission under the direction of the Bolivian Development Corp., with the assistance of the American government.

That contract provided for the utilization of Bolivian labor to the greatest possible extent. The total cost of the project at that time was estimated at $12 million.

The McGraw-Warren project ran into difficulties from the start, largely due to the war conditions plus labor unrest in Bolivia. Essential equipment and parts were almost impossible to obtain and substitutions were not always suitable and in some cases were by necessity second-hand. In the end work was shut down in 1947 with about 25% of the highway completed.

The Bolivian Development Corp. continued the construction with its own forces until August of 1949, when it too was forced to shut down for lack of funds.

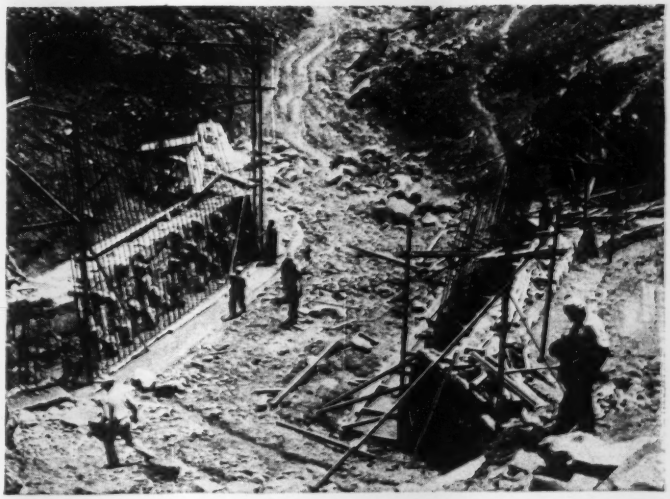
At that time there had been expended from all sources the following sums of money:

Cost of studies, PRA	$2,363,000
McGraw-Warren contract	7,349,000
Other contracts	1,876,000
Bolivian Development Corp., (1947 to Aug 1950)	2,443,000

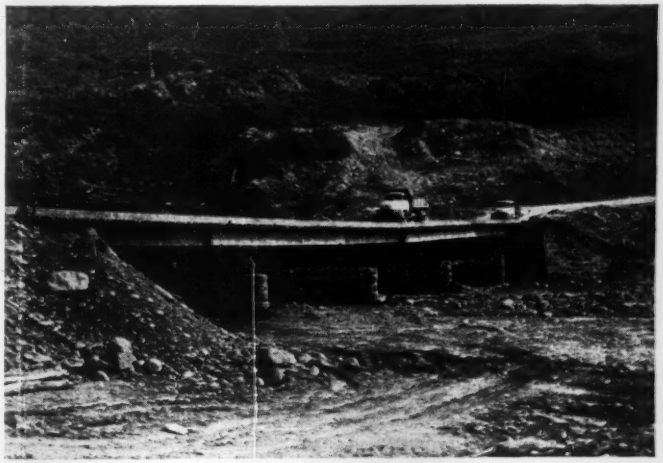
In 1949 the project was revived after the Export-Import Bank had approved a $16 million loan to the Bolivian Development Corporation and the Bolivian Government had appropriated the equivalent of $8 million in its own currency for the completion of the project.

The following year (February 1950) a contract for consulting engineering services and supervision of construction was let to Knappen-Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy Engineers, New York, and in August, 1950, a construction contract was awarded to Macco Panpacific Co., Paramount, Calif., and Balboa, C. Z. This contract covered the following principal items:

1. Reconditioning of existing road-building equipment left over from the original work.
2. Purchasing of more than $2.5 million of new construction equipment.
3. Completion of the highway itself, which can be divided as follows:
   - 280 kilometers of grading & drainage structures.
   - 316 kilometers of base course.
   - 420 kilometers of asphalt paving.



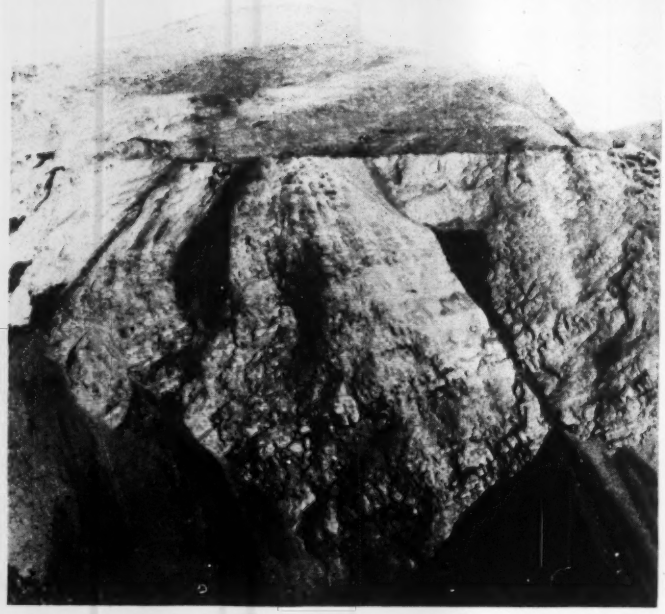
BRIDGE ABUTMENTS frequently are an interesting combination of modern reinforced concrete and age-old masonry.



A TEMPORARY DECK was put on this bridge over the Pojo River to get equipment across the valley for work ahead before the permanent concrete deck could be built.

• **Difficult construction**—The current work has not been without its difficulties, as can be seen by the accompanying photos. Progress is continually plagued by earth slides caused by a movement of glacial till on a contact plain of underlying blue clay. This frequently is lubricated by ground water, resulting in a slow downhill movement of the overlying mass.

To remedy this situation, benching of cuts and subdrainage have been employed, but neither method offers a certain solution. In most cases the contractor must wait until the slide has come to rest and then dig out to



FOR THIS SIDEHILL CUT, 350,000 cubic meters of rock were moved in a length of 700 meters. Disposal presented no long-haul problem. The highest cut was 300 ft above grade for the finished highway.

a point where the ground reaches the angle of repose.

All equipment, parts, materials, fuel and food must be transported to the job from seacoast ports, the major port being at Antofagasta in Chile. From here, material is shipped by railroad to Cochabamba and then hauled by truck to the individual construction camps. At present the average truck haul is 200 km., and this distance will increase as construction progresses.

Construction of access roads is a major problem because of the rugged terrain in the mountainous sections and the dense vegetation in the humid country near the eastern end. Some of these roads require a large amount of grading and temporary bridges of substantial design. Bailey bridges are being used by the contractor for temporary crossings of major streams.

As will be seen from the accompanying map, grading has been completed or is under way on all but about 100 km near the eastern end, where location work still is in progress. Nearly 10 million cubic yards of earth and rock excavation will be required to complete the project plus an allowance for another million that may have to be moved as the result of slides.

Major structures are a combination of masonry construction, reinforced concrete and steel. This combination is due to the cost of transporting steel and cement to the job, to the lack of ample supplies of sound aggregates for concrete, and to a desire to use native talent to the greatest possible extent. Corrugated metal is being used extensively for culverts because of the ease with which it can be transported to isolated points.

• **Design standards**—The highway is designed for H15-S12 loading, a speed of 80km per hour (50 mph) and a minimum vertical sight distance of 150 meters (500 ft.). The minimum curve radius is 30m., and all curves with radius less than 191m. are being superelevated and provided with spirals. The maximum grade will be 7 percent compensated for curvature.

A surface course 5m. in width is specified on a base 5.3m. wide. Shoulders are 1m. wide. The base course has an average depth of 0.15m. (6 in.) and consists of crusher run stone or gravel graded as follows: passing a 2-in. screen, 100%; 1-in. 50 to 80%; No. 4, 20 to 50%; No. 200, 0 to 12%. Plasticity index not to exceed 6.

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After priming with MC asphalt, the surfacing is to be an 80 lb. per square meter armor coat using about 0.8 gal. of RC2 asphalt in two applications.

• **Bolivian labor used**—Bolivian labor is being used to the greatest possible extent. The same requirement applies to the engineering and supervising work. Currently the native labor force amounts to roughly 2,900, while the total number of North Americans is around 70.

For Knappen-Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy, Gerald S. Rinehart is project engineer, and for Macco (Panpacific Co., the contractor, Max Winter, Jr. is project manager and L. W. Jones is general superintendent. In charge of operations for the Bolivian Development Corp. is Francisco d'Avis.

Guatemala to seek help to finish its Pan-Am. road

The newly-appointed Guatemalan Ambassador to the United States, Guillermo Toriello, says that one of his first objectives will be to endeavor to obtain the financial assistance of the United States for the completion of Guatemala's section of the Pan-American highway. For this purpose the U. S. has already paid out about $15 million in cash and technical assistance; but about 25 miles of the highway near the Mexican border remains unconstructed.

The U. S. Bureau of Public Roads offered to contribute $3 million for the final construction of that sector of the highway providing Guatemala would add a million dollars but the negotiations broke down and the funds were allocated to Costa Rica and Nicaragua. Work on the road practically stopped but now, apparently, Guatemala wants to renew negotiations for U. S. assistance in completing the project.

• **A power project also**—The Guatemalan government has invited the Westinghouse Electric International Corp. to make preliminary surveys prior to submitting bids on an estimated $6-million hydroelectric installation in the southwestern section of the country. Surveys have already been made by the Empresa Electrica de Guatemala, subsidiary of the American Foreign Power Corp. Officials of that concern have warned the government that a severe power shortage will develop there by next year unless something is done about it now. One plan is to finance through the U. S. Export-Import Bank with a loan to be guaranteed by the Guatemalan government.

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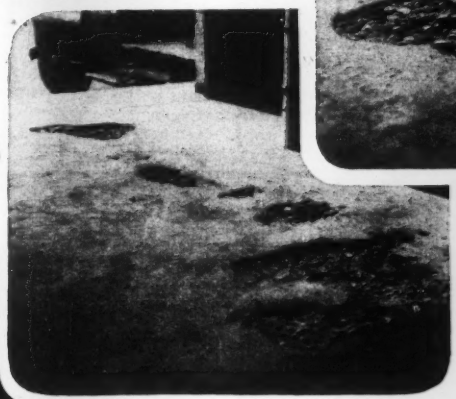

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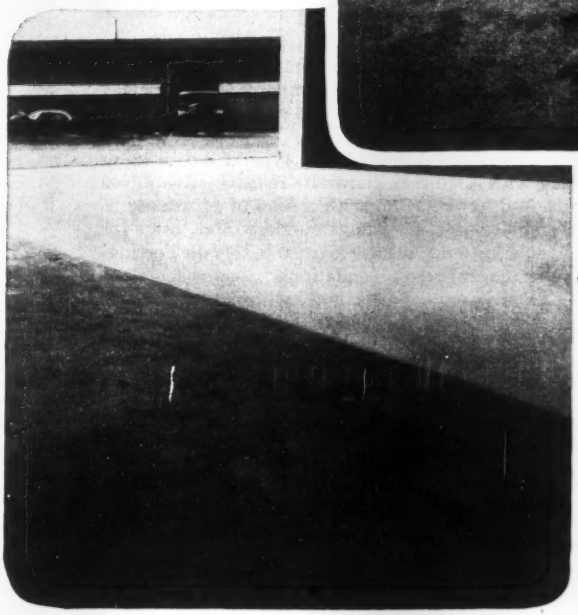

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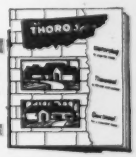

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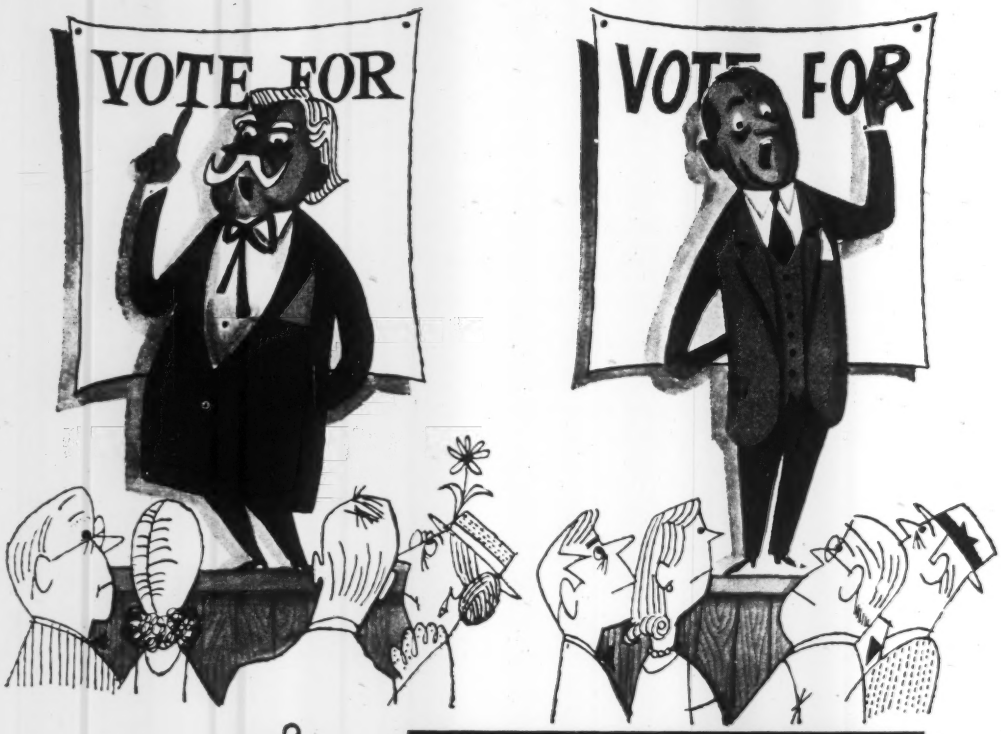

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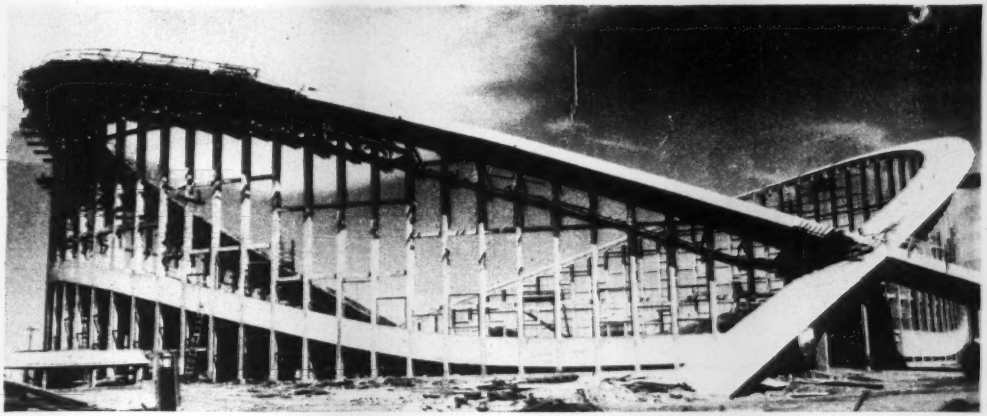


OPPOSING ARCHES sweep in graceful curves atop the wall columns of a livestock arena at Raleigh, N. C. Steel strands strung between them will carry a saddle-shape roof deck. (Wide World photos)

Something new in framing:

Oblique concrete arches to carry steel catenary roof

NOT A SINGLE COLUMN will obstruct the view from the stands of the 300-ft dia livestock judging pavilion now being built at the North Carolina State Fair Grounds, Raleigh, N. C. The roof will be suspended on steel strands strung from the outer walls.

A pair of reinforced concrete arches on top of the walls will take the catenary pull of the wires. The arches, in turn, rest on slender concrete columns, which take the vertical load.

• **Low costs reported**—The designers believe this unique structural framing to be highly efficient. It utilizes construction materials to their best advantage—concrete in compression and high-strength steel in tension.

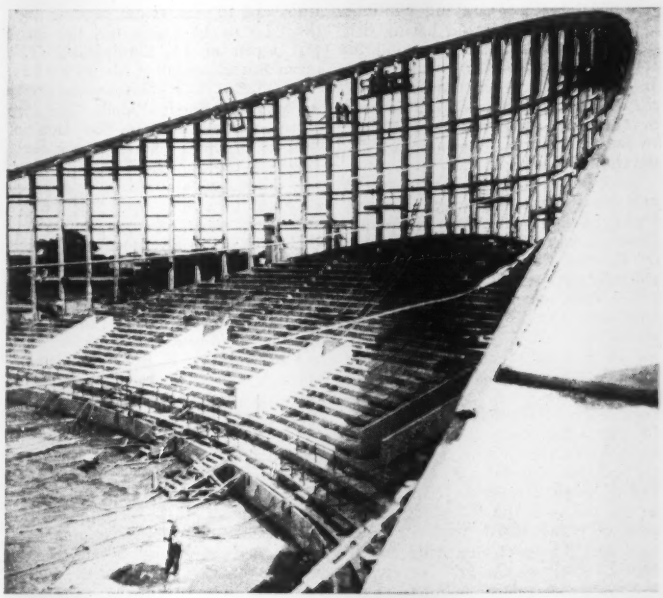
Cost figures appear to bear out this contention: The building is being erected for $1,300,000, which averages between 35 and 40 c per cu ft of space enclosed, or about $130 per seat.

The structure will contain concrete stands with permanent seating for 5,500 and temporary seats for 4,500.

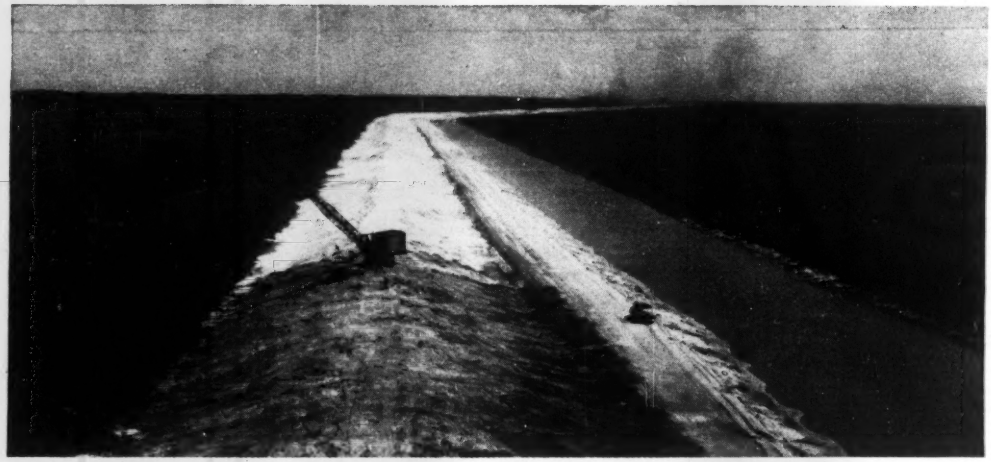
• **Saddle-shape roof**—The cable-supported roof over this large unobstructed area will consist of insulated, cellular steel decking and built-up roofing. Following the natural sag of the cables, which form a rectangular grid, the roof will assume the shape of a saddle.

• **Oblique arches**—The pair of arches that support the roof are parabolic in shape. They lie in planes that slope in opposite directions at an angle of about 25 deg with the horizontal. The arches are 14 ft deep in the sloping plane and 30 in. wide, but are coffered on the under side to keep their weight down. Rising to a height of 85 ft at their apexes, they intersect 25 ft above grade, then continue down to terminate in concrete abutments.

The building is expected to be completed by the middle of this month. It was designed by William Henley Deitrick, architect, Raleigh, N. C., from an original design by the late Matthew Nowicki. Severud-Elstad-Krueger, of New York City, are the consulting engineers. Muirhead Construction Co. is the general contractor.



CONCRETE STANDS lie at the base of the columns that support the arches. The columns will also serve as window mullions.



A LEVEE NEARS COMPLETION. This is levee L-40 near West Palm Beach (see map) built to form one of the areas where flood waters are to be stored for agricultural use and to add by percolation to the underground supplies serving the east coast cities.

Everglades floods to be controlled

FLOOD CONTROL that is radically different from the type that is applied to flood waters elsewhere in the U. S. has been started in the Everglades of Florida.

The work now in hand is the first stage of a program that will extend over at least ten years and will free 2.3 million acres of land having rich agricultural and grazing possibilities from the danger of frequent overflow. It will make possible the storage of flood waters for use in dry seasons and at the same time will add to the underground water resources of the developed coastal region.

Back of the sandy areas close to the east coast of central Florida is a vast region of lakes, marshes, and prairie land, no part of which is more than 80 ft above sea level. Some of this region drains northward into the St. Johns River and the remainder drains west into the Kissimmee River and south into Lake Okeechobee, depending in part on the saturation of the ground and the winds.

Lake Okeechobee is a nearly circular body of fresh water 730 sq mi in area. Originally its surface was from 12 to 19 ft above sea level and it had no well-defined outlet. At higher levels its waters then either spread out over the Everglades—a region of grassy marsh land 40 miles wide and 100 miles long lying mostly to the south of the lake—or spilled over into the valley of the Caloosahatchee River to the west.

Water from the Everglades either flowed eastward through small river channels cut through the somewhat higher sandy regions along the east coast—where the resort cities now are located—or escaped to the ocean at the lower end of the state.

Rainfall over this area varies widely from year to year. It has been as high as 102.4 in. at Dania (on the coast just south of Ft. Lauderdale). The mean annual rainfall at Miami is 58 in.

• **Frequent floods**—Floods due to heavy rainfall and to the lack of definite drainage channels have been frequent in the whole region. During rainy weather, marsh and muck become saturated and the water spreads in sheets ranging from a few inches to a few feet deep over much of the region, inundating agricultural land, grazing lands and citrus groves, to say nothing of the little towns and connecting roads. Often this type of flooding continues for weeks.

During the 1947 flood the streams through the sand barrier along the east coast could not carry the flood flows and large areas in Ft. Lauderdale, West Palm Beach and Miami also were flooded. Damage that year alone for the entire area was estimated at $59,000,000.

Because of this flooding of the hinterland, early settlers organized drainage districts and began digging drainage canals. Subsequently, as the canals were enlarged and connected they were used as navigation channels to serve the region. Locks and control works were built in some of the larger ones. Still later, roads were graded on the tops of the spoil banks along the canals, and as they developed into a connected network, navigation declined, except on the cross-state waterway through Lake Okeechobee.

Drainage ditches helped to take water off the land in wet seasons, but they also took it away in dry years. As a result, there were crop failures in dry years and fire spread rapidly through grass lands and dried-out marshes, burning the rich muck soil.

The richest muck lands lie to the south of Lake Okeechobee. There the surface averages around 17 ft above sea level and the muck is 8 to 14 ft deep over part of the underlying soft limestone or marl. Farther south, in the latitude of Miami, the surface is only 6 to 7 ft above sea level and the muck thins out to a depth of only about one foot.

• **Hurricanes do great damage**—In 1926 and again in 1928, hurricane winds drove the waters of Lake Okeechobee out over the adjacent agricultural lands and villages. In the terrific 1928 storm, 2,300 people were drowned. That disaster caused Congress to authorize the construction of levees along much of the shore of Lake Okeechobee, with hurricane gates in the levees where major drainage canals connect with the lake.

Those levees and gates were built

by the Corps of Engineers in 1934-36. They have eliminated the danger of storm-driven floods along the southern and southeastern shores and at Okeechobee on the north shore, but flooding due to excessive rainfall remaining on developed areas still is widespread and does much damage.

Similar flooding is widespread over the truck farms and pasture lands in the upper St. Johns River basin and the Kissimmee River basin due to the inadequate capacity of the stream channels. On an average of once in six years major floods cover 1,050,000 acres in the St. Johns basin and 598,000 acres in the Kissimmee basin and adjoining regions.

At the southern end of the Everglades, where the general elevation is low, the problem is somewhat different. Relatively high groundwater levels must be maintained to combat salt water intrusion in the well fields from which the domestic and agricultural water is drawn. On the basis that each foot of fresh water above sea level keeps salt water 40 ft below sea level, a groundwater elevation of 2½ ft is desired to provide a fresh-water aquifer 100 ft deep in this area.

• A comprehensive plan drawn—A plan to provide flood relief for this vast area and to conserve flood waters for agricultural and domestic purposes was submitted to Congress in 1948 and was authorized by the flood-control act of that year. Under it, many miles of drainage canals are being enlarged and deepened to facilitate the rapid removal of flood waters, and new canals are being dug. But as the deeper canals would result in over-drainage if not controlled, the plan calls for controlled spillways at the lower end of the drainage canals so that their greater carrying capacity may be used at time of peak demand and yet can be sharply curtailed when the need is past.

These spillway structures also will serve as barriers to encroachment of salt water during the low water stages of the canals.

The storage capacity of Lake Okeechobee is to be increased by construction of additional levees along its shores. Similarly, the storage capacity of the chain of lakes at the headwaters of the Kissimmee and St. Johns Rivers is to be materially increased by dams and controls works.

Artificial storage of large quantities of water is to be provided by the construction of three conservation reservoirs south and east of the valuable agricultural lands lying immediately south of Lake Okeechobee. These reservoirs are being formed by dikes that ultimately will enclose 1,500 sq mi of the Everglades where the soil is poor and of shallow depth. Material for the dikes is being obtained through enlargement of existing drainage canals—which they parallel—or by digging new canals that will be connected to the existing canals to produce a system to serve the needs of the area for both flood control and water supply.

COST ESTIMATES FOR CENTRAL FLORIDA PROJECT (1947 Prices)

Canals	$75,229,000
Levees	79,244,000
Control structures	43,926,000
Railroad bridges	1,625,000
Highway bridges	4,044,000
Land and rights-of-way	3,897,000
	$208,135,000

When gravity flow in the agricultural area is not adequate to carry off flood waters, large pumps are to be used to lift water into the conservation pools. These pools will be equipped with outlet gates for release of excess flood waters or water for irrigation in dry seasons.

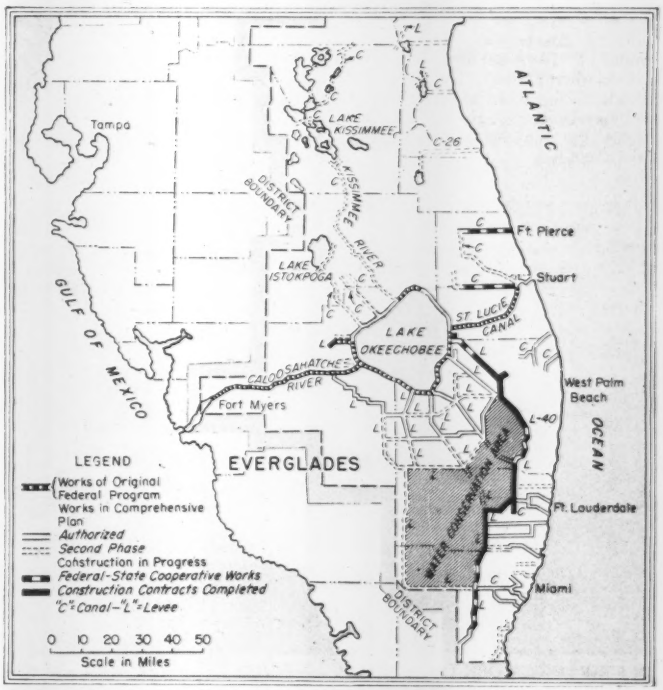
At the southern end of the Everglades, dikes are to be built between the cultivated areas and the coast to keep out storm-driven salt water.

• Cost of the project—The cost of this "comprehensive plan" was set at $208,135,000 by the Corps of Engineers in its 1948 report. Maintenance and operation were then estimated at $3,703,000 annually.

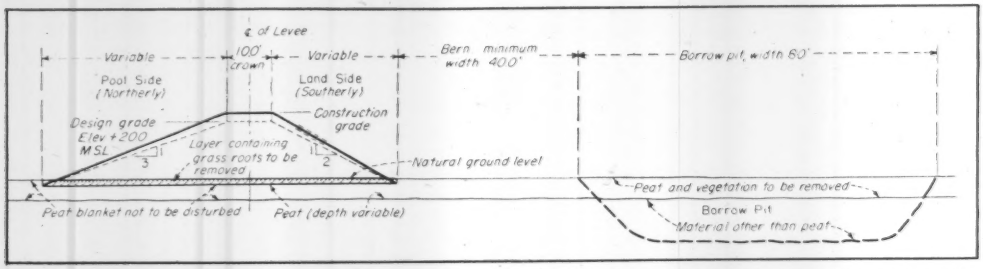
Annual benefits were estimated to total $24,573,000, which were broken down as follows: Prevention of flood damage, $8,251,000; improvement of property, $15,855,000; navigation, $176,000; preservation of fish and wild life, $291,000. Because of these large anticipated benefits, the Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors recommended to Congress that local interests should furnish all land and rights-of-way and should make cash contributions of $29,152,000, both to be supplied progressively as the work progressed.

That board also recommended that the federal government should maintain and operate the principal control works, but that the lesser ones should be maintained and operated by local agencies.

The enabling act as passed by Con-



FLORIDA'S EVERGLADES are being provided with a new system of levees, drainage channels and storage areas for the dual purpose of reducing flooding and conserving water for agricultural and domestic use.



TYPICAL CROSS-SECTION through a levee being built to form the water-conservation areas south of Lake Okeechobee.

gress put the local contributions on a percentage basis, specifying that the federal government would pay 61 percent of the cost if state and local interests would provide the remaining 39 percent of the cost. Of the 39 percent costs which are borne by state and local interests, 15 percent is in cash contribution towards construction while the remainder consists of providing all lands, easements and rights-of-way, maintenance and operation and protecting the federal government from liability.

• **Local agency set up**—To simplify the work of acquiring the necessary land and rights-of-way as well as the task of assessing the 15% to be paid by local beneficiaries, the state of Florida, in 1949, set up the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District. The district will maintain and operate most of the new facilities except the navigation works under federal control.

• **Long range planning**—In the program of the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District, the plan drawn up by the Army Engineers will form the basis of a much larger development program of land and water resource development that will add $400 million to the $200 million cost of the current project.

• **Stage construction proposed**—Because of the magnitude of the current project and the need for collecting a large amount of information before designs for parts of it can be completed, the Army Engineers recommended to Congress that it be undertaken in four stages.

• **Current operations**—Work already complete or under way is in the first stage. It is estimated to cost $68 million. Principal items, as shown on the accompanying map, are 135 miles of levees, 53 miles of canal enlargement or construction, and construction of control facilities in those canals. All the levee work is completed or under contract.

Of the 858,022 acres required for the conservation areas, 837,172 have been acquired.

• **Levee building**—Levee construction is largely a dragline operation. Specifications for the levees (see the typical cross-section) were written with that method in view.

Some of the limestone below the peat is soft enough to be excavated by draglines, but much of it requires drilling and blasting ahead of the draglines.

A noteworthy detail of the design is the requirements that vegetable matter on the surface of the marshland be removed from the area on which the levee is to be built and piled beyond the toe of the fill, but that the peat be left in place. This is being done because the peat is a stable material that will compress under the fill and seal the surface of the rock against percolation. The vegetable matter, however, might decay and form a permeable layer at the base of the levee.

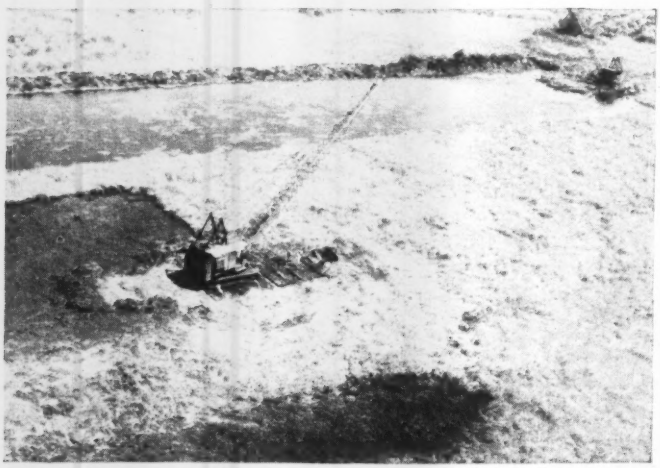
On completion of the fill, this vegetable matter is used as a top dressing for the slopes to encourage the growth of grass.

Leaving the peat in place also makes a large saving in the amount of fill required for the levees. Levee crowns are built sufficiently high initially to allow for compression of the peat.

In the agricultural areas, most of the muck soil is suitable for levee construction.

Construction work is under the direction of the Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers, Col. H. B. Schull Jr., district engineer. Field work is in charge of the Miami field office, where George R. Coslow is project engineer.

W. Turner Wallis is chief engineer for the flood control district and Lamar Johnson is head of its engineering department. Consulting engineers to the district are Gee & Jenson, West Palm Beach.



IN STARTING WORK ON A LEVEE, one dragline (upper right) strips peat from the borrowpit area, piling it on the far side, while a second (center) strips vegetation from the top of the peat along the line of the levee, piling it (foreground) clear of the levee site. Draglines must be supported on timber mats.

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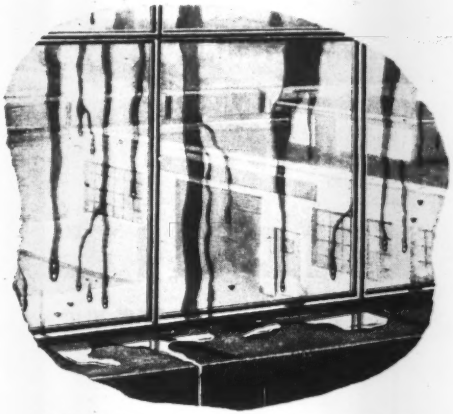

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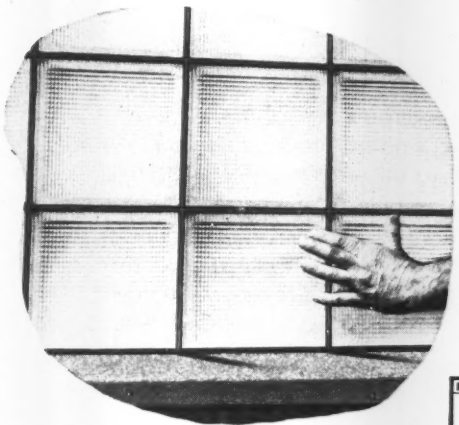

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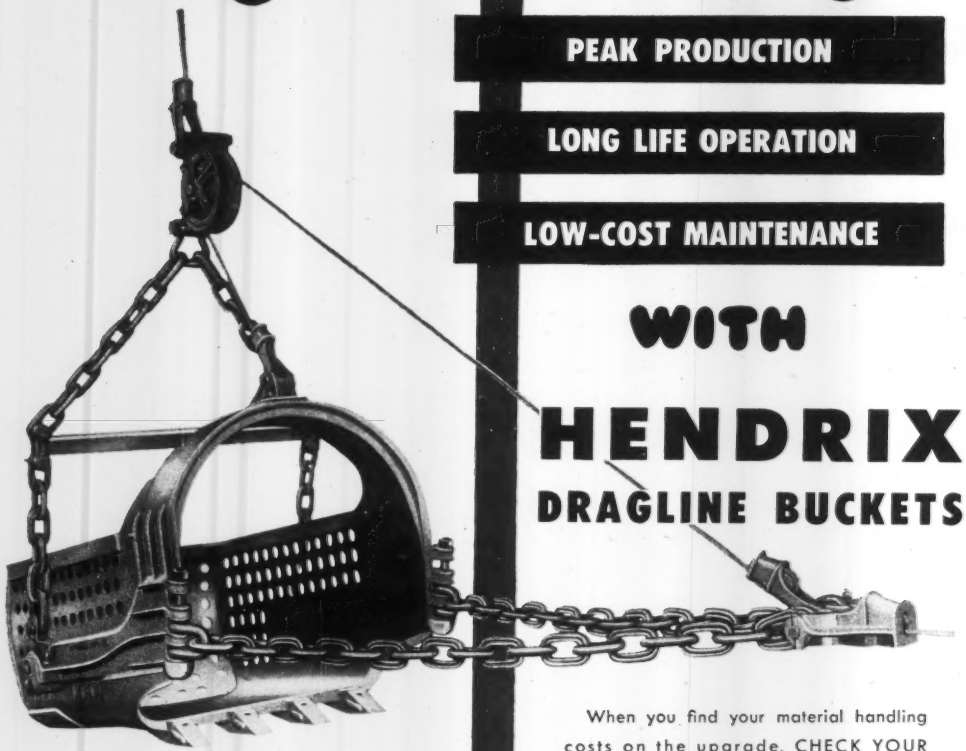

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Concrete waffle formed with plastic pans

PANS MADE OF PLASTIC, handled in much the same manner as steel forms, were used to form a two-way ribbed-slab roof over a machine shop in Cleveland, Ohio. Construction was by the lift-slab method—thereby successfully demonstrating this method's usefulness for lightweight waffle-type roof systems.

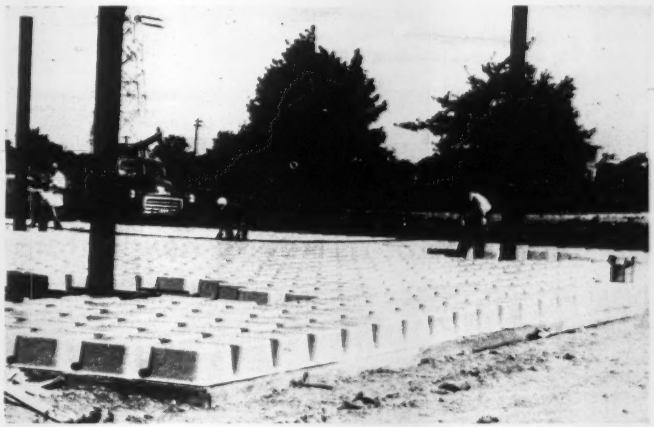
The pans, of Fiberglas-polyester plastic, came through their first trial with flying colors. Four distinct advantages were enumerated by the developers, Ted Meredith and Roy Brown, president and vice-president, respectively, of the Ohio Lift-Slab Co. of Cleveland. The plastic pans . . .

1) require no oiling before or after use,

2) have a rubber-like resiliency, which practically eliminates dents, cracks and breaks,

3) are handled easily because of their light weight, and

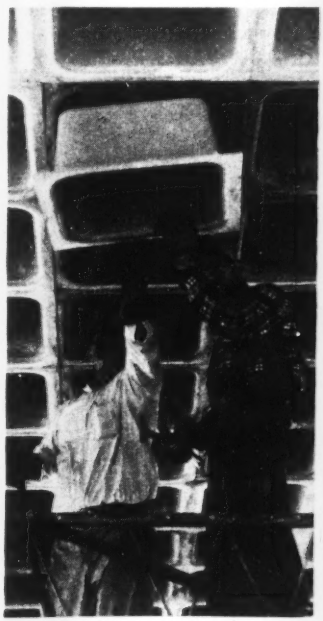
4) won't rust or corrode.



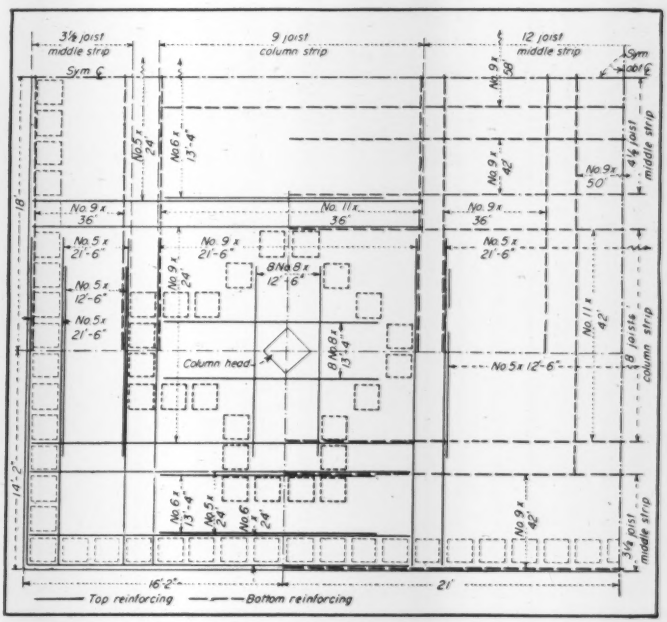
PANS form well-reinforced 74x64-ft two-way ribbed-slab 12 in. deep. Weighing 200 tons, it was raised by lift-slab method to form the roof of a shop in Cleveland, Ohio.

• **Pan details**—Ten inches deep, the pans are 17½ in. square at the top and flare out to a 20-in. square opening at the bottom. A 2-in. flange brings the out-to-out bottom measurement to 24 in. square. They weigh only 8 lb, compared to 20 lb for a similar 14-ga steel pan.

About 1,100 of them formed the roof slab, which is 74 ft 4 in. by 64 ft 4 in. With a 2-in. topping of concrete over the pans and solid 12-in. sections around the columns, the slab weighs 200 tons, or 84 psf. Since pan



REMOVAL of pans is accomplished with aid of air blast. Two workers can "pop out" 150 per hour.



REINFORCING PATTERN—Stirrups weren't necessary because of heavy steel concentration over large area around column heads. There is one reinforcing bar of indicated size and length to each rib between arrowheads, except as noted around columns.

flanges abut, the ribs are 4 in. thick at the bottom and taper out to 6½ in. at the top. The accompanying drawing indicates the slab reinforcing.

Placement of pans and reinforcing bars followed normal removable-pan practice, as did concreting. Conduit was wired to the steel. The lifting operation went off without incident, the 42x36-ft columns spacing proving no problem. Jacks mounted atop the four steel columns were controlled from a central panel. The slab is connected to the columns with steel rings that were welded to the steel-pipe uprights.

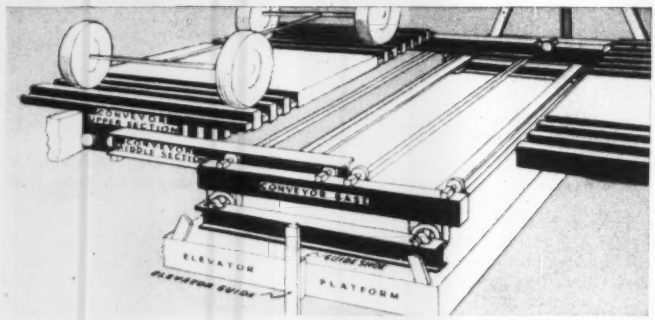
• **Quick removal**—After the slab was up, workers removed the plastic pans by prying a side loose and blowing a blast of air along that side. In this manner, two men "popped out" 150 per hour. The forms were then nested in high stacks that proved to be quite stable.

Close examination of the pans disclosed no evidence of wear or cracking. The developers are confident that 15 or 16 re-uses can be obtained. If so, cost of the new plastic forms would work out to only 10 cents per sq ft—a very satisfactory figure.

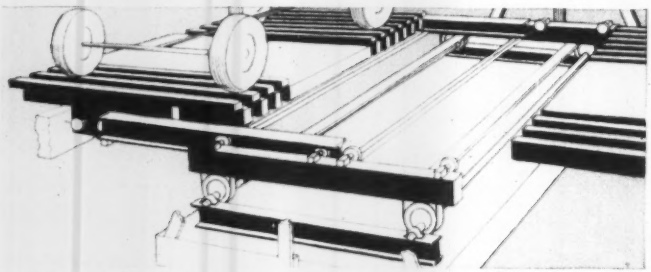
Ohio Lift-Slab plans to either rent or sell the units to other users. (Prestressing, Inc. of San Antonio, Tex., expects to employ the plastic pans for a prestressed concrete ribbed-slab.) If sold outright, price will be in the neighborhood of $6.50 each. Twelve and 14-in. deep pans will also be available.

American Insulator Co., New Freedom, Pa., manufactures the pans. The waffle roof is one of several to be raised for Barth Stamping & Machine Works. McGeorge-Hargett & Associates was the architect.

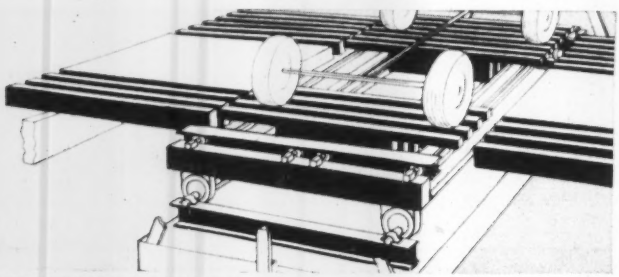
Meshing platforms key to new automatic parking method



1—TO UNPARK CAR, transverse members of conveyor, 4 in. wide on 5-in. centers, mesh between stall beams of same size. Conveyor beams are 3 in. below car wheels.



2—AUTO IS GENTLY RAISED as conveyor platform members rise a total of 6 in., 3 in. above stall beams.



3—OPERATION IS COMPLETED when conveyor section retracts onto the elevator carrying car with it. Cars are parked by reverse procedure.

A NEW TWIST to push-button parking features the use of intermeshing platforms to transfer an automobile sideways from a vertically operating elevator to its parking stall.

Basically, the setup consists of an unusual conveyor mounted in an elevator that serves stalls on each side of the shaft.

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The new method has been named Alkro Integral Parking by its inventors, Mihai Alimanestiano and Cornelius Kroll of Houston, Texas. According to them, more than 220,000 automobiles have been parked and unparked at an average round-trip rate of 50 sec each, in a full-scale test installation. There have been no mishaps and the equipment shows no discernible wear. Daily operation will continue until it does.

A unit, in plan consisting of elevator shaft and stalls on each side, occupies a ground area of 24x25 ft. Floors are spaced 8 ft 6 in. apart and can number up to 50, say the developers. They also claim that their parking units, if built in conjunction with an office building, can cost as little as $1,300 per stall. (A separate 16-story parking building in Washington, D. C. with similar elevator shaft and stall arrangement, described in ENR May 8, p. 59, cost $2,960 per stall.)

Both inventors are graduate engineers, with Mr. Kroll having his own firm, Cornelius Kroll & Co. of Houston. They have been working secretly on the new parking method for several years. Several features are already patented.

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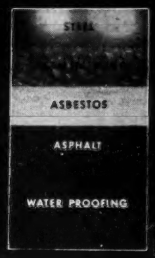

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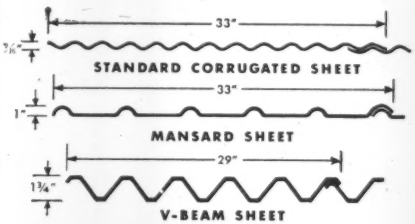
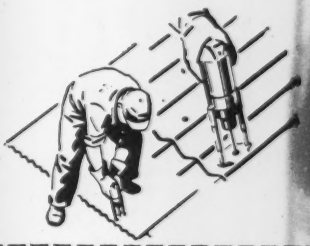


THE TOP-SPEED FASTENING METHOD

permits all fastening work from the outside, eliminates interior scaffolding. This new method permits erection crews to place twice as much material in the same time, with safety. Top-Speed Insulation is a Robertson method for applying insulation from the outside, before the Galbestos is fastened over it. This method also halves the time. It makes a good-looking job inside. Needs no painting.



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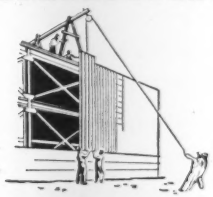

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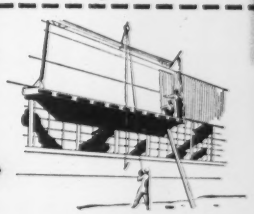

Q-Panels are the famous Robertson factory-fabricated, insulated curtain wall. They are available in a variety of fluted metal surfaces. Available 2' wide, in lengths up to 25', lightweight, only 3¼" thick, but superior in insulation value to a 12" masonry wall with furred plaster. A small crew can erect a Q-Panel—50 sq. feet—in 9 minutes.

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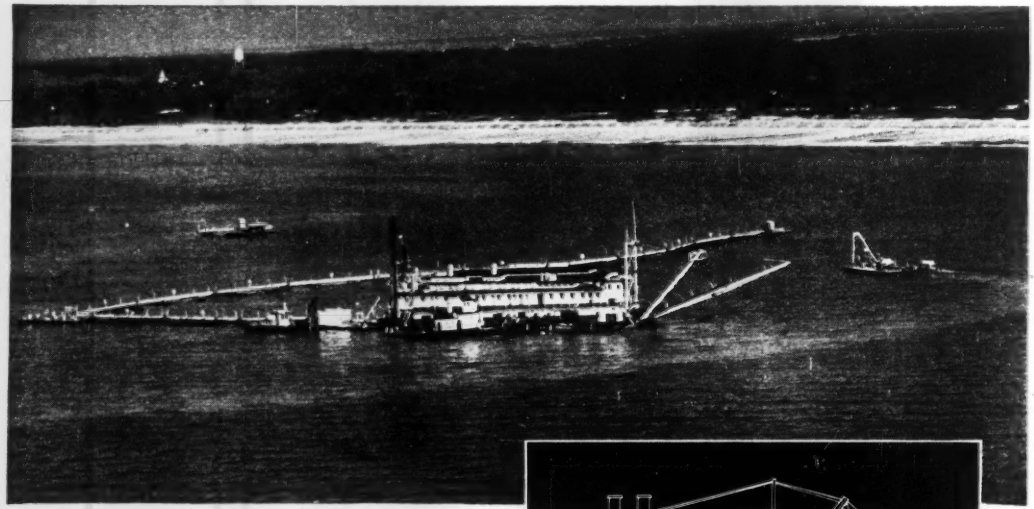

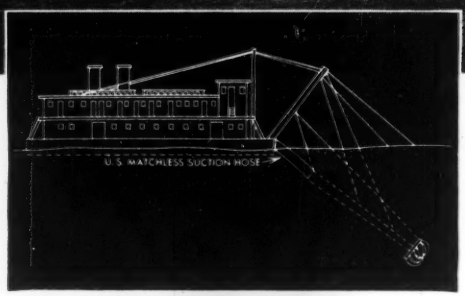

Photo shows dredge pumping sand to make the artificial beach on the Mississippi shore. It extends approximately 1500 feet into the stream. The diagram shows the cutter head which stirs up sand and silt. This in turn is drawn through the pipe, then through the U.S. Matchless Suction Hose to the pump and through the discharge line.

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RALPH DE SIMONE, president of Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp., finds new fields of expansion beckoning. (ENR photos by Compton)

The Black Horse sees new fields to conquer

When the name of Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. figures prominently in dedication of such recently completed projects as the Elizabeth River Tunnel, Boston's Mystic Pier No. 1, the Chesapeake Bay Bridge, or New York's unique Pier 57 now under construction—there is nothing unusual about it. Owner of the most powerful fleet of floating construction plants in the country, MC&S has long been a leader in marine and heavy construction.

But lately the familiar Black Horse insignia of MC&S have been bobbing up on an unusual number of industrial and commercial construction projects. In August MC&S officially turned over to the U. S. Army Engineers a $1.7-million bulk storage facility at Charleston, S.C.; and participated in the dedication of the $3.3-million Rockaway, N. Y., sewage treatment works which it constructed. In June the MC&S-constructed Cheney Memorial Building costing $6.5 million was dedicated at the Hudson River State Hospital, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. MC&S also listed completion of $13-million sulphate pulp and paper mill for St. Regis Paper Co. at Pensacola, Fla., three sulphuric acid units for the General Chemical Division of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. (in East St. Louis; Claymont, Del., and Pulaski, Va.) and soda ash handling facilities at Claymont for the Solvay Process division.

There is nothing new in the fact that MC&S builds these types of structures. The news lies in the increasing number it is building. For MC&S, these projects spell out a new trend, a new phase of expansion in the firm's 92-year development. It is a trend that has been accelerating steadily since the end of World War II.

Analyzing this trend, MC&S President Ralph DeSimone points out to ENR that his firm gives a great deal of thought to projects before it undertakes them.

"We are not building up a backlog for the sake of a backlog. Reputation-wise we can't afford to take work unless we can make a showing on it, unless it is work in which we can excel," he says.

He sees MC&S expansion in industrial projects as natural. The volume of this type of construction has surged under the defense program. The resources and experience built by MC&S as a result of its broadly diversified construction activities enable it to have the men and equipment to move easily and economically to take advantage of this surge. And as relaxation of government controls permits more commercial construction, "Mr. D." as he is called by those in the firm who are close to him, expects to take on more work in that field.

• **New fields to conquer**—When Ralph DeSimone became president of MC&S less than a year ago (Dec. 5, 1951), he reached a peak in his long career with the firm. Civil-engineer trained at New York University, he went to MC&S in 1916, served as engineer, outside superintendent, and by 1925 was in charge of the firm's New England operations. In 1942, he went to New York and took over direction of marine and heavy construction activities. A vice-president by 1945, he was elected executive vice-president and general manager early in 1951 and became a director.

When he took over the presidency he had seen the firm's annual business grow in revenue from a few million to

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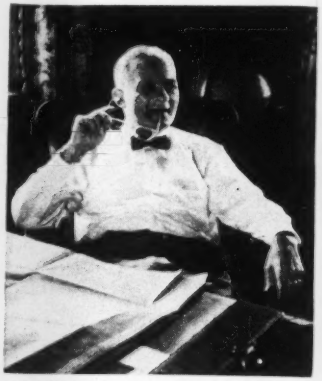

"MAXIMUM coordination between engineer and contractor is vital . . .

"HERE ARE examples of how it can effect construction . . .

nearly $75 million including reimbursable costs under cost-plus contracts—World War II years excepted—this volume marked a new peak in the history of MC&S. This year, revenue is expected to go even higher. At the end of June of this year, MC&S had $95 million in construction work ahead on its books as against $84 million at the close of the first half of 1951. Business was good when "Mr. D." took over his new duties, and since then it has gotten better.

The trend toward more industrial and commercial construction already has made a substantial start. According to the record of projects of over $100,000 for 1945 through 1951, the total contract volume in industrial and building construction for MC&S was $179 million. The total for marine and heavy construction was $136 million.

• **Builds policy**—"Mr. D." is seeking new fields of conquest, but he is using caution and a great deal of planning. He is building his policy with human relations as one of the cornerstones. Out of his engineering background and his construction experience, he is stressing maximum coordination between contractor and engineer.

"On highly specialized jobs, I am of the opinion that 'package' handling of engineering and construction by one organization is most desirable. In our paper mill work, for example, MC&S is in position, if requested, to undertake single responsibility. Our current projects in Valdosta, Ga., for the National Container Corp. and in Israel for the American Israeli Paper Mills, Ltd., are typical," he says.

Projects of this type make up only one part of MC&S ventures, however. To handle the bulk of the work, the firm carries an extensive engineering staff to meet its construction problems, but not to handle in addition the design of major projects.

"Except in the case of highly specialized projects, we believe that the client is best served by use of a contractor-engineer 'team', we think that in such cases it is best for the owner to have his own engineer do the design and work closely with the contractor throughout construction," De Simone says. And "work closely" means more than mere physical proximity.

He strongly believes that the question of how to give the client the most construction value for the least money is the all-important goal of both the contractor and the engineer. And to "Mr. D." contractor-engineer coordination is a vital factor in keeping construction costs low and producing a more satisfactory job. He can cite scores of examples.

Here are a couple:

"On our current Bay St. Louis Bridge project in Mississippi, plans called for the use of precast concrete piles throughout the 10,198-ft low level structure. After construction started, an unforeseen condition developed which indicated that the driving depth along 1,400 ft of the bridgeline would entail use of reinforced concrete piles to a depth of 155 ft. The engineers for the job, Hazelet & Erdal, recognized that use of precast concrete piles at such great depths would be impracticable. The consulting engineers and MC&S engineers promptly worked out an alternate method involving the use of steel H piles. The result was a better, more satisfactory job all around.

"When the Elizabeth River Tunnel

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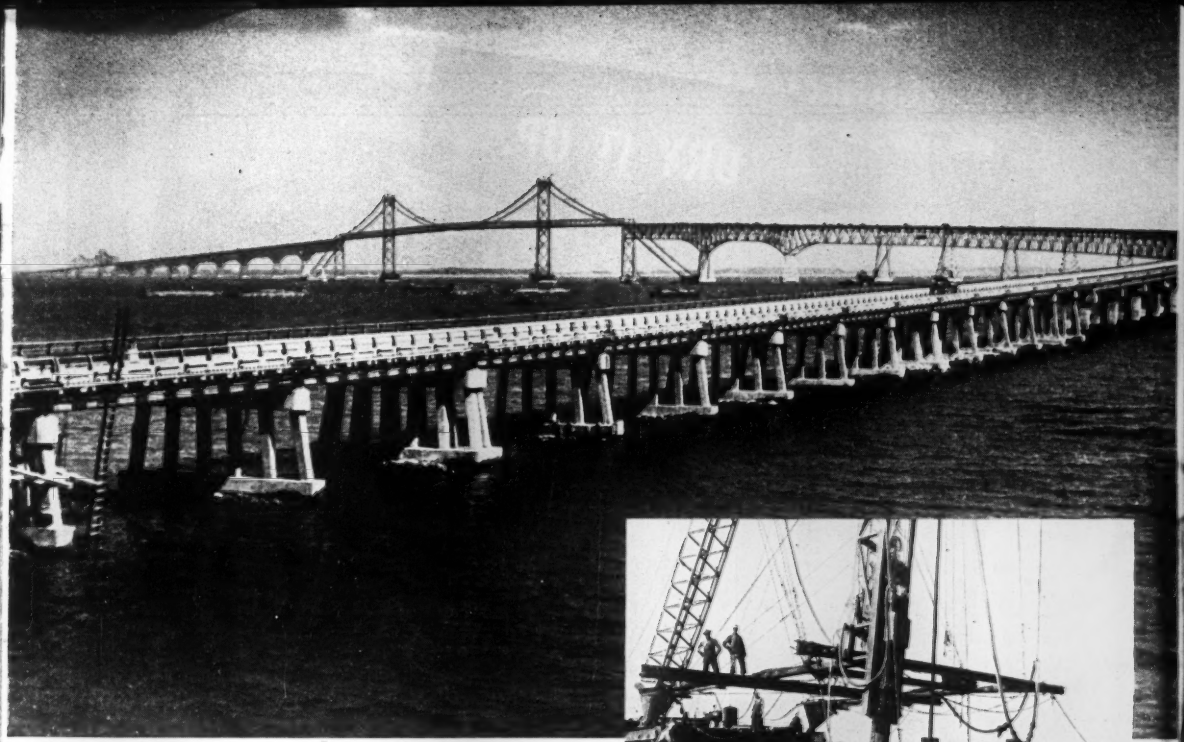

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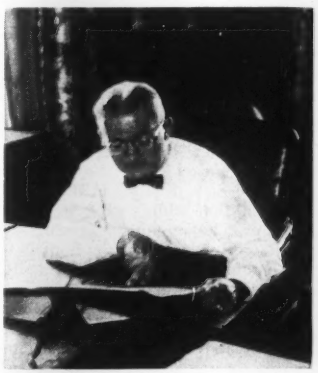

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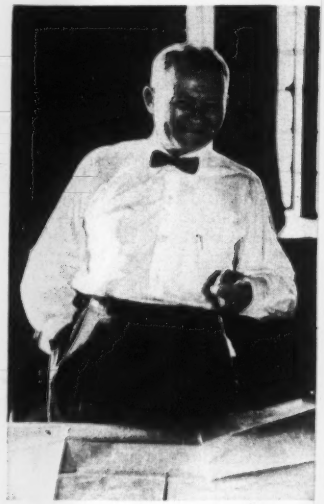

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which trade is to be assigned work on each phase of a new project. If no agreement is reached on some point, the matter is brought to the attention of the presidents of the international unions involved. When unforeseen jurisdictional questions arise and when no agreement can be reached, the case is turned over to the National Joint Board for the Settlement of Jurisdictional Disputes.

"So much progress has been made by the building trades unions themselves in their efforts to eliminate jurisdictional disputes and strikes, that we have had few work stoppages on this account in the last few years," "Mr. D." reports.

There are many encouraging signs that progressive union leadership is showing an increasing awareness of the fact that the problem of providing the greatest construction values at the lowest possible price is to the interest of everyone in the industry, he says.

As an example; he cites the agreement this year with employers in the New York area, in which labor agrees that its members will:

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ENR queried "Mr. D." on whether the Construction Industry Stabilization Commission has helped to stabilize the labor situation. His answer was: "However well intended its efforts, frankly, it is my opinion that the CISC has tended to confuse the labor relations picture. While I know the CISC has done a tremendous job, it faces an overwhelming task in trying to stabilize wages and other employment conditions on a national basis. Any such attempt necessarily puts brakes on free collective bargaining between contractors and labor, and makes for confusion."

• **Morale**—It is described at MC&S as "Merritt fever," it means pride in work, pride in the men and the equipment who do the work. It is a slogan "Mr. D." uses to describe his goal for the firm's supervisory personnel, and one which he, in many ways, personifies.

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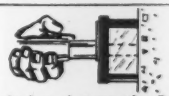
UL *DRIVE-IT* is the only powder-actuated tool approved by Underwriters' Laboratory.	 *DRIVE-IT* cannot be discharged accidentally due to the push and turn sequence. This, plus the large safety pad makes *DRIVE-IT* triple safe.	 Exclusive Automatic Barrel Extension for fastenings inside junction boxes or other recesses.
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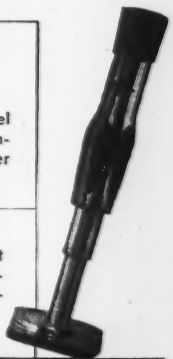

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Richard V. Hyland, 57, a founder of the consulting engineering firm of Madigan-Hyland, died at Southampton, N. Y., Sept. 20. He was a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, 1918. He served in the first world war and then became a bridge engineer with the New Jersey State Highway Department. In 1929 he joined with M. J. Madigan to form the firm of Madigan-Hyland, New York City. Among the big New York projects on which the firm has been consultants were the Triborough and Bronx-Whitestone bridges, the Belt Parkway, the Henry Hudson Parkway and the reclamation of the Worlds Fair site in Flushing. At present the firm is consultant for the N. Y. State Thruway Authority and as construction engineer of the Tappan Zee bridge to connect the Westchester County and Rockland County sections of the Thruway across the Hudson River at its widest point.

Prof. John K. Tuthill, 67, railway engineer and research scientist at the University of Illinois, died Sept. 15 in Urbana, Ill. He received his engineering degree from the university in 1914 and, after serving with the Illinois Traction System as a division superintendent, he became part owner of a Michigan power company. He returned to the university in 1920 to teach and engage in research, which included railbonding and welded joints. He also conducted research in noise abatement. He acted as consultant to the Illinois Central, Rock Island, Illinois Traction System, Chicago Surface Lines and the American Bureau of Welding.

H. D. Hilborn, chief structural engineer for the Emsco Derrick & Equipment Co., died at Houston, Tex., Aug. 2. He got his professional training in Allegheny College and Cornell University, and had spent 42 years in engineering work. He formerly lived in Miami, Fla., where he helped design many of that city's office buildings and hotels. He was a pioneer in the use of concrete in building construction. For about six years he was bridge engineer for the Burlington R.R. He was a contributor to engineering journals, and lately was a member of a committee on standardization of derricks and masts.

Harry Radcliffe, 50, road commissioner of West Virginia, died at Charleston, W. Va., Sept., 19. He had been with the road commission for

30 years and was promoted steadily.

Henry G. White, 80, civil engineer, died Aug. 15 in Rochester, N. Y. He was with several railroads during his career. He also worked on the conversion of the old Erie Canal into part of the N. Y. Barge Canal System; the Isthmian Canal in Nicaragua; the subway in Rochester; and various state highway projects. A graduate of Cornell University, he was assistant engineer in the New York State Engineer's Department from 1894 to 1907; and division engineer of the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad from 1899 to 1903. For the next two years he was resident engineer for the former Rochester, Syracuse and Eastern Electric Railroad. In 1910 he was named vice president of the I. M. Ludington's Sons Construction Co., Inc. of Rochester.

George Simmons, 82, civil engineer, died Sept. 13 in Springfield, Ill. He was an employee of the Sangamon County Highway department and formerly had worked with the Illinois Department of Highways and for the Illinois Central R.R. in Springfield.

Harvey Whipple, who for 32 years was secretary and secretary-treasurer of the American Concrete Institute, died Sept. 6 at Northville, Mich. He was the author of "Concrete Stone Manufacture," published first in 1915.

John C. Lindsay, 68, former civil engineer for the Gulf Oil Co., died in Beverly Hills, Calif., Sept. 3. He was a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley.

Robert H. Matthews, 76, a civil engineer identified with major tunnel construction jobs in the Northeast, died at Warren, R. I., Sept. 12. He designed and supervised projects at Providence, R. I., Washington, D. C., and in Connecticut.

Albert Haworth, 60, engineer and contractor of Tampa, Fla., died there Aug. 30. During the last 35 years he had built many millions of dollars worth of buildings in Central Florida.

Commander W. T. Powers, U.S.N.R., a former general contractor in Cambridge, Mass., and Concord, N. H., and a member of the civil engineer corps of the Navy, died at San Diego Calif., Sept. 7. He served with the U. S. Army in World War I and with the Navy Seabees in World War II.

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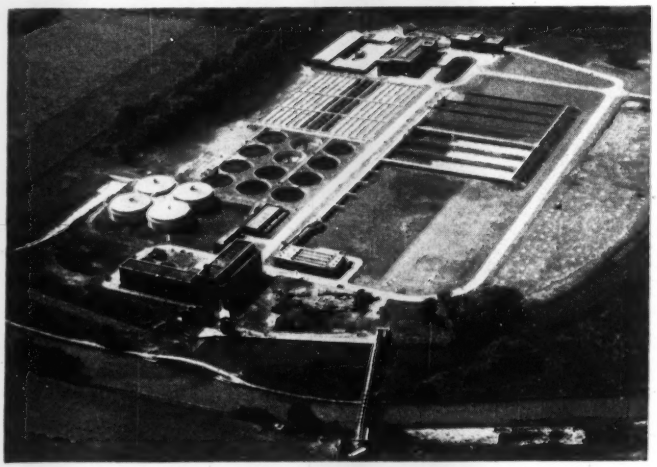

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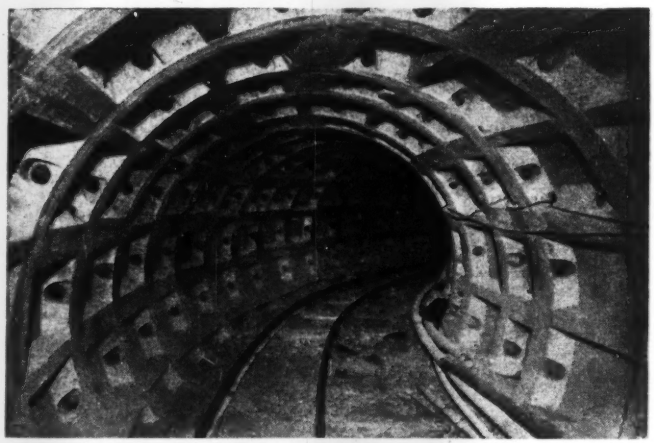

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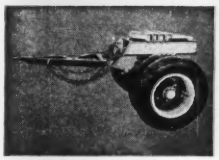

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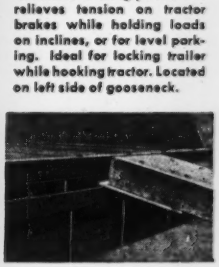

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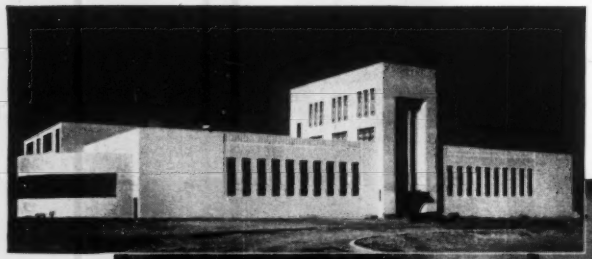

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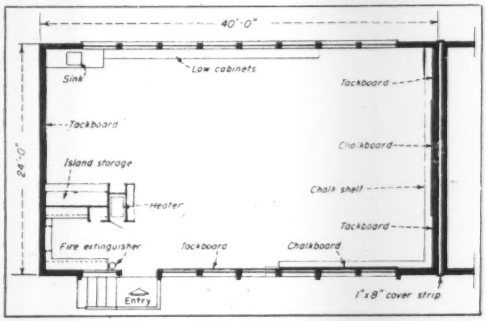

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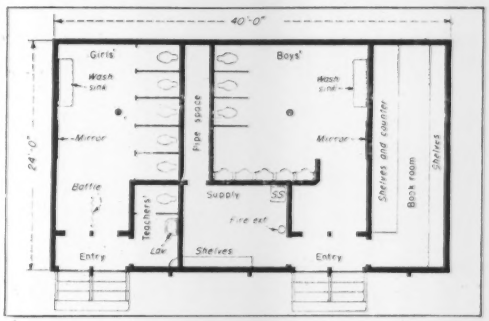

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Money saving portable school building

Faced with the problem of providing school facilities in a city whose total—and student—population is rising by leaps and bounds, the Board of Education at San Diego, Calif., five years ago started building what it calls portable classrooms.

This year some of the portables had a chance to live up to their name. There are now more than 300 portable classrooms in use in San Diego and expansion needs dictated moving about 50 of them to new sites. Contractors have now completed moving the last of the 50.

The problem was brought on by figures like these: In 1940 the city's school population totaled 31,900. For the school term just starting, the total registration is 59,000—close to double.

The San Diego Unified School District looked with apprehension at what happened in many Eastern cities:

Big school buildings were constructed in new residential areas. Then, when the "wave" of school-age children went by, the buildings were half unused. It decided that the initial population impact in new areas is greater than the area's steady, long-term school population.

Another thing, home builders have been throwing up new subdivisions with such speed that conventional school buildings simply could not be built fast enough to meet the need.

• **Solution**—The solution was the portable classroom, the brainchild of Clyde Hufbauer, then architect for city schools and now a practicing commercial architect; and of Ralph C. Dailard, associate superintendent of schools in charge of buildings.

The portable classrooms on which the school board first accepted bids Aug. 19, 1947, were regulation 24x 40-ft units built of top quality materials. Dailard and Hufbauer bristle at any hint that their "temporaries" are in any way sub-standard. Teachers and students agree that they are attractive, well-equipped and comfortable rooms.

The frame buildings are designed with heavy timbers under the flooring. These rest on concrete piers, and the whole unit may be rolled away to a new site without dismantling and with use of only standard house-moving equipment. They are built on-site.

The portable nature of the classrooms answers the Board of Education's worry about half-used school buildings. Its practice has been, if the need is immediate, to install all portable units on a new site. The design has been adapted for toilet room units and administration units so that a complete school can be assembled. The immediate need having been met, design work could be started on a minimum number of permanent classrooms, toilet, heating and administration facilities. When these were built some of the portables could be moved to new sites. Then in future years if the school population in the area dropped, more portables could be moved away to new sites as needed.

Inside, the classrooms are modern. Teachers have expressed satisfaction with the lighting. Windows are high on one side, and a wide overhang shades glare, avoiding direct light, and providing a maximum of good light without casting direct rays into the eyes of the pupils. The wide overhang

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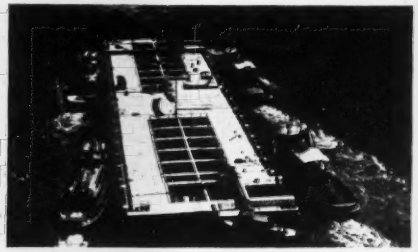

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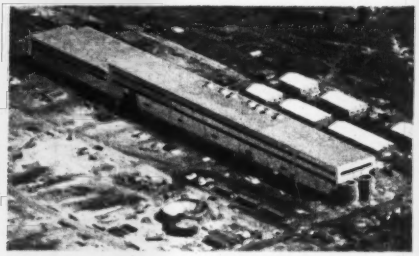

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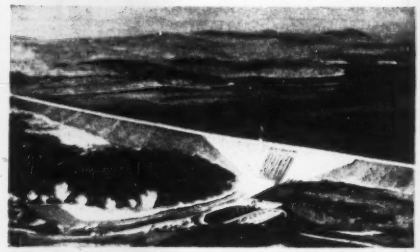

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also functions as an outdoor hallway when the units are assembled in a row.

Dailard is convinced the plan is adaptable to any area with a mild winter climate, and that with a minimum of design change the plan could be used in cold climates.

• **Low cost**—Another benefit for the San Diego school system, which has had to watch its funds while financing a huge school building program: The units were not designed to save money. But largely because of the standardized nature of the projects, the cost of portables has proved to be less than comparable in-place buildings on a per sq ft of classroom basis.

The average sq ft cost for portable classrooms, toilet, administration and kindergarten rooms on the first 289 units built was $7.87. They have been built in bid units ranging from three ($7.10 per sq ft, June 10, 1950), up to 44 units ($8.82 per sq ft, July 3, 1951). The highest sq ft cost has been $8.82, and the lowest $6.03 on June 7, 1949, a bid group of 30 units. The most recent contract, let July 22, 1952, on 12 units, figured out at $8.41 per sq ft. In comparison the most recent in-place construction bid for two kindergarten rooms at Hamilton School figured $12.25 per sq ft. Hufbauer figures that the average cost of regular in-place classrooms in San Diego ranges from $12 to $13 per sq ft.

Dailard credits the portable program for San Diego's record of having practically no double school sessions. In 1951-52 eight rooms were on double sessions for approximately three months.

Pennsylvania to spend $2 million for renovation

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is spending some $2 million, mostly for new utility lines, in renovating and improving its $10-million (1900 price) state capitol building in Harrisburg.

The big utility renovation includes a new water distribution system, a new electrical system, new steam lines and new sewers.

Other smaller jobs include marble restoration work in the interior of the nearly 300-ft-high dome and the waterproofing of building plots.

The plazas, built to fit in with the architecture of the capitol group, have been a headache ever since they were built. They act as roofs for state offices below and have presented a constant leakage problem.

$5-MILLION maintenance and overhaul building as it will look when completed. The nose-in feature is visible in the original M&O building. (Florida Photo)

Airport building has nose-in dock

Eastern Air Lines' $5-million overhaul and maintenance building under construction at Miami International Airport had to be engineered for hurricanes, hurricane-borne rainfall, and airplanes of the future.

Moreover, it had to be engineered to provide nose-in aircraft maintenance docks instead of the usual clear-span enclosed hangars which have been standard since the days of the Wright brothers.

Described by Eastern officials as the biggest of its kind in the world, the building provides 14 nose-in docks, each with an unobstructed width of 100 ft and vertical clearance of 30 ft.

Only the forward portion of the aircraft, the part containing the pilot's compartment and the forward half of the wings containing the engines, is under cover when a plane is in one of the docks. The cabin and tail stand in the open air.

Another part of the building forms a conventional hangar in which planes are completely enclosed while undergoing major overhaul.

• **New design**—As airplanes got bigger and heavier, Eastern engineering people from mechanics on the line to President Eddie Rickenbacker wrestled with the problem of getting them serviced, maintained and overhauled, speedily and efficiently, while scattered over the vast areas of ground space their size required.

Five years ago, the combined thinking of Eastern's engineering personnel resulted in a design for a "T"-shaped building with nose-in docks for maintenance, an enclosed portion for major overhaul, and outdoor stations for ground service such as washing, cleaning, gassing, oiling and tire inflation.

In 1948, Eastern completed such a building at International Airport at a cost of $1 million. In addition to meeting the need for compressing ground service activities into a relatively compact area, it was an experiment in taking advantage of Miami's year-round outdoor weather.

The new building is three times as big and will cost five times as much as the pilot building.

Design for the project was no routine job for the engineers. Eastern specified design criteria to meet these special conditions:

• Hurricanes, which sometimes batter the Florida peninsula with winds of 150 mph sustained velocity exerting pressures of 112 psf, according to old rule-of-thumb formulas.

• Average annual rainfall of 59.18 in., 100 in. in hurricane years and as much as 3.4 in. in one hour during hurricanes.

• Flexibility to handle bigger and heavier airplanes of the future.

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sulting structural engineer who designed the pilot building, designed the new one. Earle M. Rader, Miami consulting engineer, designed the ramp paving and drainage system.

The building is in the form of a "T" with an overall length of 1,218 ft. The stem of the "T" is the maintenance portion and contains the 14 docks.

The bar of the "T" is the major overhaul hangar. It is 335 ft long and 150 ft wide. It has vertical clearance of 38 ft under clear structural steel spans of 150 ft and doors mounted on railroad rails at each end.

This part of the building will accommodate two of Eastern's Super Constellations at one time for major overhaul.

The enclosed portion of the building contains 329,749 sq ft of floor space. Cantilevered canopies over the maintenance docks cover another 119,000 sq ft, making a total floor area of 448,749 sq ft.

The paved ramp, or apron, which completely surrounds the building, covers approximately 32 acres.

A one-story, lean-to warehouse 60 ft wide runs the length of the bar section on the east. It provides ready access from LeJeune Road, eastern boundary of the airport, without crossing lanes to the docks and hangar.

Two smaller lean-to buildings, each 26 ft wide and 108 ft long, adjoin the bar section on the west, separated by the stem. These are the engine change shops.

The airlines' experience with the pilot building, plus the need for flexibility, dictated a steel frame structure in the new building.

Design of the maintenance dock portion is sectional. This is so that if airplanes get bigger, the docks can be deepened to accommodate them without major structural changes.

• Doors—Taylor conceived one feature which, as far as he and Eastern officials know, is new in airplane maintenance building design. He divided the stem into four fire zones and designed special fire walls at three of the expansion joints.

His sliding doors for the hangar can be locked in a proper ventilating position during a hurricane. This will forestall a build-up of pressure inside. Three 1,000-ft-long hangars at the Richmond Naval Air Station near Miami were blown apart during the 1945 hurricane when pressure built up inside because of improper ventilation.

Taylor also provided special steel plates which can be bolted to the

bottoms of the doors, clamping them rigidly to their rails, when the weather bureau hoists hurricane warnings. This will prevent unshipping under hurricane wind pressure.

• **Materials**—Center section of the stem has three floors. Supported floors are designed for 200 lb live load. Heavy shop equipment and stockrooms are on the first floor, offices and accessory shops on the second and bulky parts and supplies on the third.

Roof decks over the cantilever overhangs and siding throughout the structure will be H. H. Robertson's "Galbestos" steel units welded or strapped to the purlins or girts. The material weighs less than 3 psf and is rated almost indestructible by fire.

Roof decks over the main portion of the building are of corrugated steel welded to the purlins.

Conventional cellular steel floor deck, welded to the beams, will be used throughout the building. The first floor is concrete, the second and third pecan and hickory flooring over the steel deck.

The built-up, 20-yr bonded roof over the main section will cover an area of six acres. The roofing will be applied on 1-in. insulation board.

• **Ramps and drains**—In designing the ramp area and a drainage system for it, Rader's job was complicated by several factors.

Eastern's biggest aircraft now is the Super Constellation, whose maximum gross load is 120,000 lb. But Rickenbacker foresees airliners of 200,000 lb gross load.

Moreover, some engineers believe that static loads created by heavy aircraft undergoing overhaul or maintenance is more damaging to floors and ramp paving than the shock loads of landings and takeoffs.

On the drainage side, the problem was taking care of normal rainfall, which averages 59.18" a year, and as much as 100 in. in hurricane years, on a site only 6.8 ft above sea level and with no natural drainage.

The maximum 5-yr storm at Miami has brought 3.4 in. of rainfall at the airport in one hour, flooding hangars and other buildings.

The drainage system Rader designed consists of 5,795 ft of concrete pipe storm sewer ranging from 18 in. to 48 in., with manholes, inlets and special structures required for functioning of the system, and pipe encasement or protective slabs.

In the section under the building, the storm sewer lines are laid in a concrete cradle between continuous walls of sheet steel piling for protection of the building foundation.

The system will have three outlets into a 4,000-ft open drainage ditch which will empty into Tamiami Canal bordering the airport. A stilling basin is provided at the outlets for collection of sand and silt. It will be cleaned by drag-line.

Test borings in the ramp building and ramp area showed the presence of cavities and voids beneath the surface which could result in possible paving failures.

To spot these weaknesses, the whole area was test rolled with a pneumatic-tired roller having a wheel load of 50,000 lb.

• **Paving**—To obtain the desired minimum K factor of 500, the subgrade was stabilized with limerock to a depth of 12" below the bottom of the paving. The subgrade was compacted in two 6" layers, each having a minimum of 100% maximum density at optimum moisture as determined by the A.A.S.H.O. Method T-99.

Ramp paving is Portland cement concrete with a flexural strength of 700 psi after 28 days, and a safety factor of 1.6 for the working flexural strength of the concrete.

To attain the 700-lb flexural strength, the concrete required a mix containing not less than 6.5 bags of cement per cu yd and not more than 5.5 gal of water per bag of cement.

Paving was poured in slabs 12 ft 6 in. wide. Tie bars prevent separation of exterior slabs around the apron.

Load transfer is provided across expansion joints by dowels and between adjacent slabs by keyed joints.

Eastern is having 3,260 lineal ft of propellor blast deflector boards constructed around the north, east and south sides of the concrete ramp.

Twenty-two positions at which Super Constellations can be serviced will be constructed along these blast deflectors. Each position will have electric, water, Varsol, public address and compressed air facilities.

Eastern figures the building cost at $4 million and the paving and drainage at $1 million.

There is no general contract for the job. Construction is being executed under the supervision of Joseph J. H. Brock, an Eastern vice president at Miami, and J. H. Shartle, Eastern's resident engineer.

Twenty-nine separate contracts were awarded for materials, equipment and construction.

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MEETINGS

Gail A. Hathaway to head international dam body

Gail A. Hathaway, special assistant to the Chief of Engineers, was elected president of the International Commission on Large Dams at a meeting of the executive committee held during the Centennial of Engineering in Chicago. He succeeds Andre Coyne of France who has served a six-year term during which congresses were held in Stockholm, Sweden, and New Delhi, India.

Other new officers of the International Commission include G. Drouhin, director of irrigation and drainage in Algeria, who will be vice-president, and Claude Chauvez, engineer in the thermal electricity division of the French Ministry of Industry, who will be secretary-general, succeeding Raymond Giguet, director of equipment of Electricite de France.

Mr. Hathaway, who was also elected a vice-president of the World Power Conference, has been chairman of the U. S. Committee of the International Congress on Large Dams for the last several years. He is now succeeded in that post by Carl P. Vetter of the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation.

The U. S. committee, which now is made up of about 35 members, will be enlarged if plans now under discussion are carried out. Membership would still be confined to a relatively small number of highly qualified engineers and other specialists and organizations with exceptional accomplishments in the field of large dam design and construction, but even a small expansion would improve the committee's financial setup. The objective is to make the committee independent of outside contributions upon which it has heretofore relied. Annual dues would be $10 for individuals and $100 for organizations. Information about membership may be obtained from L. M. McClellan, chief engineer, Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, or from Mr. Vetter, Bureau of Reclamation, Boulder City, Nev.

No other changes in the U. S. committee setup are planned, its affairs continuing to be administered by an executive committee. Present members of this committee, in addition to Vetter and Hathaway, are: Samuel B. Morris, general manager and chief engineer, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power; Ford Kurtz, vice-president, J. G. White Engineering Corp.; Leslie N. McClellan, chief engineer, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation; Clarence E. Blee, chief engineer, Ten-

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Form irrigation body

A meeting in Chicago, Sept. 9, of the year-old International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage was followed by the organization of a U. S. national committee to work with it, in the same manner that the U. S. Committee on Large Dams works with its international commission. The U. S. committee, sponsored by the Irrigation and Drainage Division of the American Society of Civil Engineers, includes individuals associated with industry, irrigation construction, several governmental agencies and organizations concerned with the operation of irrigation and drainage systems. On its executive committee are W. E. Blomgren, assistant chief engineer, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation as chairman, and G. T. McCarty, New York City; A. P. Rollins, Austin, Tex.; Ivan D. Wood, Denver, Colo.; S. D. Gross, Middletown, Ohio; Harold A. Scott, Jacksonville, Fla.; and Harold Conkling, Los Angeles, Calif.

Seventeen countries were represented at the meeting. Sir William Halcrow of England presided in the absence of the international president, A. N. Koshla of India. Secretary-General N. D. Gulhati of Delhi, India, was responsible for the program which was largely devoted to consideration of reports, administrative matters and an agenda for the next international meeting in Algiers.

CALENDAR

National Planning Conference, American Society of Planning Officials, Sheraton Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., Oct. 5-9.

Federation of Sewage and Industrial Wastes Associations, Hotel Statler, New York City, Oct. 6-9.

Structural Engineers Association of California, Mission Inn, Riverside, Calif., Oct. 16-18.

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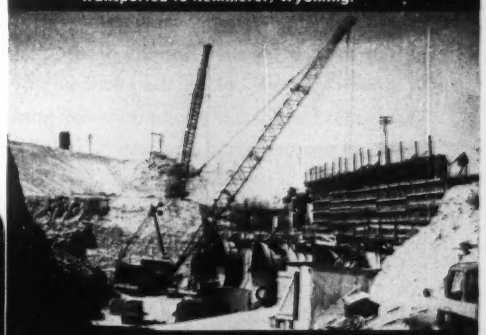

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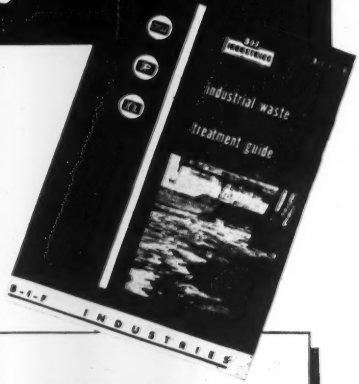

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NEW ENGLAND

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Mass., Bedford—B.A. 10/9—Town, Sewage Comn., Town Hall, 14 in. force main, gravity sewers. Bids 9/4 rejected. CD 9/9 under LB.

▲† Mass., Bedford—UTILITIES—B.A. 10/10—U. S. Eng., 857 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, roads, grading, site utilities, Bedford Research Center, Eng. 19-016-53-25. $3,000,000. Plans deposit $50, refundable. CD 8/22.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲† Verrier Constr. Co., 65 Commercial St., Portland, Me. LB $5,210,300. est. $3,520,000. aviation gasoline and jet fuel bulk storage, tank farm, Spec. 31260, HARPSWELL NECK, ME. First Naval Dist., 495 Summer St., Boston, Mass. Bids Sept. 17. CD 9/9.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

D. A. Sullivan & Sons, Inc., 82 North St., Northampton, Mass. CA. est. $700,000. DORMITORIES No. 10 and 11, AMHERST, MASS. State, University of Mass., Amherst, Mass. CD 4/17.

▲ Bedford Gardens Co., c/o Lester N. Lechter, designer, 8 Mana Ave., Sharon, Mass. Separate Contracts. $1,250,000. seventy-eight 1 story ranch HOUSING, BEDFORD, MASS.

Swenson-Janson Co., 82 Foster St., Worcester, Mass. CA. Est. $500,000. SERVICE CENTER addn., renovations, WORCESTER, MASS. Worcester County Electric Co., 11 Foster St., Worcester, Mass.

DeLuca Constr. Co., 27 Crescent St., Glenbrook, Conn. LB. $793,000. Willard-Belltown Elementary SCHOOL, Pepper Ridge Rd., STAMFORD, CONN. City, Bd. Educ., Stamford, Conn. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/4.

MIDDLE ATLANTIC

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

N. J., Port Newark—FOUNDATIONS—B.A. 10/7—At office Chief Engineer, of the Port of New York Auth., 111 8th Ave., New York 11, N. Y., const. foundations for Bldg. No. 141 at Port Newark. Cont. PN 200.022. Plans deposit $25. CD 6/19/51.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ NEW YORK—Bureau Contracts & Accounts, The Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Bldg., Albany,

D. & T. Franzese Bros., 114 N. Madison Ave., Watkins Glen, N. Y. LB. $65,310. est. $81,000. 4.66 mi. Canisteo-Whitesville, Pts. 6 and 7, State Hy. 8265-8265A, RC. 52-94, Steuben Co.;

John C. Peterson Constr. Corp., 958 Church St., Baldwin, N. Y. LB. $233,380. est. $254,000, 1.96 mi. Smithtown-Fort Salonga, Pt. 1, S.H. 1048-A, Proj. F-566 (5), FARC. 52-92, Suffolk Co.;

Central New York Constr. Co., Inc., Syracuse, N. Y., LB. $132,723, est. $138,000. 5.06 mi. Monticello Village S.H. 5490, Monticello-Woodbourne Pt. 1, S.H. 8153, R.C. 52-97 Sullivan Co.;

Ador & Booth, 1130 Water St., Watertown, N. Y., LB. $354,461. est. $405,000, 8.38 mi. Copenhagen-Lowville, Pts. 1 and 2, State Hy. No. 1020-847, Proj. F-864 (3), F-1043 (2), FARC. 52-77, Lewis Co.;

John Arborio, Inc., W. Cedar St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y., LB. $1,609,778. est. $2,017,000, 2.58 Thy., 1.97 acc. mi. New York State Thruway-Catskill Sect.—Sub. 3 (Whiteport Kingston Pt. 2); A Town Rd.; Co. Rd. 42 and Service Dr., CT. 52-6. ST. 52-21, Ulster Co. cancelled bids to have been opened Sept. 18, 0.8 mi. Brooklyn-Queens Expressway (Cont. 15) Proj. U-1066 (9), FA. BQE 52-1, Kings Co. est. $510,000. Bids Sept. 18. CD 8/28.

▲ PENNSYLVANIA—State Hy. & Bridge Auth., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg,

Allegheny Asphalt & Paving Co., Bingham and 8 Sts., Pittsburgh, Pa., LB $877,851. constr. 2,123 ft. retaining walls and ramps, and driveways on Penn-Lincoln Parkway between Liberty Bridge and 10th St., T.R.U.S. 22 and 30, Allegheny Co.;

Adams Eidemiller, Inc., Greensburg, Pa., LB $2,512,566, constr. 29,865 ft. divided highway of r-conc. pavement 24 ft. wide on each side of divisor and 4 bridges. Final sect. of Allentown By-Pass, Rte. U. S. 22, Northampton Co. Bids Sept. 19. CD 8/28.

PENNSYLVANIA—State Hy. Dpt., 506 North Office Bldg., Harrisburg,

Putnam & Greene, Inc., Box 2012, Fort Wayne 3, Ind. CA $564,377. wide'n and overlay 42,353 ft. existing pavement with crushed aggregate base and bit. surf. 22 ft. wide, TR 255, Elk Co. Bids Sept. 12; awarded Sept. 19. CD 9/17 under LB.

▲† John Tester & Son, 1620 Second St. S.W., Wash., D. C. LB. $1,099,055. 4 dormitories, bachelor officers' quarters, mess, admin. bldg., motor maintenance shop, utilities, No. 53-1, ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, MD. U. S. Eng., First and Douglas Sts. N.W., Wash., D. C. CD 7/31, under LB.

Contee Sand & Gravel Co., Laurel, Md. LB. $76,103. road imprvs., Claridge Rd., Montgomery Highland Highland Estates, Proj. No. 367, ROCKVILLE, MD. Montgomery Co. Purchasing Bureau, Court House, Rockville, Md. Bids Aug. 15. CD 8/11.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ Planet Constr. Corp., Little Neck Parkway and 72nd Ave., Bellerose, N. Y. LB $1,247,000, (steel);

Caristo Constr. Co., 26 Court St., Brooklyn, N. Y. LB $1,219,000 Alt A, concrete, $1,247,000 Alt B, concrete and steel for new P. S. 191 SCHOOL, E. Williston Ave. between 258 and 259 Sts., BELLEROSE, N. Y. Co-ordinator of School Constr., 49 Flatbush Ave. exten. Brooklyn 1, N. Y. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/2.

Mahony-Troast Constr. Co., 657 Main Ave., Passaic, N. J. CA. $400,000. 3 story OFFICE on site off Wantage Ave., BRANCHVILLE, N. J. Selected Risks Indemnity Co., Branchville, N. J.

M. W. Chappell, Inc., 1219 Good Hope Rd. S.E., Wash., D. C. CA $556,800. 4 story, 63x90 ft., rein.-con., brick, stone OFFICE addn., HYATTSVILLE, MD. Washington Suburban Sanitary Comn., 4017 Hamilton St., Hyattsville, Md. CD 9/4 under LB.

SOUTH

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Va., South Hill—B.A. 10/7—Town, Town Hall, 750,000 gal. per day water treatment plant, approx. 7 mi. 10 in. water supply pipe line. Plans deposit $50. Wiley & Wilson, 905 Peoples Bank Bldg., Lynchburg, engrs. CD 9/18/46.

† Fla., Orlando—ELECTRICAL SYSTEM—B.A. on or about 10/24—U. S. Eng., P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, electrical sys. for aircraft parking aprons, Pinecastle Air force Base. Serial No. Eng. 08-123-53-24. CD 1/31/51.

▲ Fla., Miami—B.A. 1/15—Water & Sewer Bd. of Miami, 3342 Dinner Key Dr., sewage disposal works. $27,000,000. CD 11/5/46.

SOON LETS CONTRACT—BUILDINGS

Fla., Tampa—WAREHOUSE—Bull Steamship Line, 1101 Ellamae Ave., soon lets contract, warehouse. Approx. $100,000. Nathan Grout, Forest Hills Dr., engrs.

N. C., Charlotte—TERMINAL—Harris Express, Inc., 1425 N. Tryon St., soon lets contract, truck terminal addn. $100,000. Louis Asbury & Son, 121 Brevard Ct., archts.

Va., Alexandria—HOTEL—Thomas H. Meletis, 734 W. St. Asaph St., soon lets contract 7 story Virginia Hotel. $750,000. W. D. Phillips, 128 S. Royal St., archt. Herbert Manuccio, 930 "F" St., N. W., Wash., D. C., engr. CD 8/19.

PROJECTS COVERED

Projects—By Size

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $34,000; other public works $60,000; industrial buildings $82,000; other buildings $300,000.

Classes of Construction

(Name in order of Listing)

Water Supply	Latin America
Sewers, Waste Disposal	Public Buildings
Bridges	Commercial Buildings
Streets & Roads	Industrial Buildings
Earthwork, Waterways	Unclassified

Stages Reported

PROPOSED WORK: Including appointment of engineers or architects.

BIDS ASKED (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues of ENR.

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CONTRACTS AWARDED: Except awards to low bidders previously reported in low bidder stage.

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LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

† Espy Paving & Constr. Co., 108 E. Bay St., Savannah, Ga., LB $112,986, sewage lift station at Hunter Air Force Base. Inv. 53-11. SAVANNAH, GA. U. S. Eng., Post Office Bldg., Savannah, Ga. Bids Sept. 12. CD 9/4.

FLORIDA—State Road Dpt., Tallahassee,

Belcher Oil Co., 1217 Biscayne Blvd., Miami, Fla. LB $124,596, Job. 9327-101, Palm Beach Co.;

Brinson Constr. Co., 51 St. and E. Broadway Ave., Tampa, Fla. LB $75,785, Job. 9407-108, St. Lucie Co.;

W. L. Cobb Constr. Co., 1102 N. 22 St., Tampa, Fla., LB $118,814, Job. S-271 (4), Union Co.; LB $71,705, Job. 8903-105, Martin Co.; LB $70,716, Job. 7809-105, St. Johns Co.;

Cone Bros. Constr. Co., Caesar and Cumberland Aves., Tampa, Fla., LB $602,260, F-036-1 (2), Hillsborough Co.; LB $94,502, Job. 0800-106 and 0801-113, Hernando Co.;

James H. Craggs Constr. Co., Ocala, Fla., LB $398,721, Job. 3809-107, Taylor Co.;

Georgia-Alabama Paving Co., Brookhaven Rd., Columbus, Ga. LB $203,463, FI-004-3 (7), Hamilton Co.;

J. D. Manly Constr. Co., Leesburg, Fla. LB $91,075, S-341 (1), Lake Co.;

Marion Constr. Co., Ocala, Fla., LB $194,483, Job 3607-107, Marion Co.;

Doyle Pope, Quincy, Fla., LB $227,615, Job. 4602-123, Bay Co.;

A. F. Rich Co., Monroe and Pershing Sts., Tallahassee, Fla., LB. $67,054, S-335 (2), Taylor Co.; LB. $131,689, Job. 0208-104, Citrus Co.; LB. $127,328, C-340 (1), Citrus Co.;

Smith Engr. & Constr. Co., West Pensacola, Fla., LB. $418,466, FI-006-2 (2), Homes and Washington Counties;

C. T. Stockton, Inc., 660 N.W. 54 St., Miami, Fla., LB. $129,474, Job. 8755-150, Dade Co.;

R. H. Strickland, Quincy, Fla., LB. $68,957, Job. 5651-152, Liberty Co.;

George G. Tapper Co. Inc., Port St. Joe, Fla. LB. $88,681, Job. 5106-101, Gulf Co.;

S. M. Wall, Gainesville, Fla., LB. $116,254, S-8 (4), Suwanee Co.;

Robert D. Yancey, Ocala, Fla., LB. $95,773, Job. 7454-150, Nassau Co. Bids Sept. 9. CD 8/28.

Herbert Constr. Corp., 2208 8th Ave., Birmingham, Ala. LB. $298,940. sewage treatment plant, sewer lines, PENSACOLA, FLA. Santa Rosa Island Auth., 14 W. Government St., Pensacola, Fla. Bids Sept. 11. CD 8/25.

† Raymond Diehl, 1214-16 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee, Fla., LB. $143,401, aviation fuel storage facilities at U. S. Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Spec. No. 32718. SANFORD, FLA. P. Wks. Office, Dpt. Navy, Box 365, Charleston, S. C.

Bennett Constr. Co., Montgomery, Ala. CA. $72,100. grading, paving, culverts 4.583 mi. on road from Needmore to Logton, TROY, ALA. Pike Co. Comrs., Troy, Ala. Bids Sept. 9. CD 8/22.

City, City Hall, Cleveland, Miss. Owner Builds. est. $38,000. WW imprvs., CLEVELAND, MISS.

W. E. Blaine Constr. Co., Mt. Olive, Miss. CA $77,954. double bit. surf. tr. road Proj. S 312-2 (1),

Dickerson & Bowen Constr. Co., P.O. Box 177, Brookhaven, Miss. CA. $91,805. double bit. surf. tr. road Proj. S 318-2(1), HAZELHURST, MISS. Bd. Supervs., Copiah Co., Hazelhurst, Miss. Bids Sept. 12. CD 9/4.

Harbert & Cargile, Monroe Park, Mobile, Ala. CA. $71,061, grading, paving, box bridge 4.958 mi. on county road between Waynesboro and Dyess Bridge, WAYNESBORO, MISS. Bd. Supervs., Wayne Co., Waynesboro, Miss. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/10.

† W. R. Aldrich & Co., P.O. Box 1751, Baton Rouge, La. LB. $534,808. Morganza Control structure embankment, Phase 4 and 5, Pointe Coupee Parish, Inv. 53-29. LOUISIANA. U. S. Eng., foot of Prytania St., New Orleans 9, La. Bids Sept. 16. CD 8/22.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

Jack W. Davis, Huntington, W. Va., CA $150,000. bus TERMINAL, HUNTINGTON, W. VA. Atlantic Greyhound Corp., Kanawha Valley Bldg., Charleston, W. Va.

Fowler-Jones Constr. Co., Reynolds Bldg., Winston-Salem, N. C., CA $803,393, CHEMISTRY-RESEARCH bldg., WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C. CD 10/21/46.

Richmond Co. Bd. Educ., 422 7th St., Augusta, Ga. rejected bids Sept. 11, Murphey Junior HIGH SCHOOL, LB $556,538, AUGUSTA, GA. CD 9/18 under LB.

▲† Fred Howland, Inc., 1451 N. W. 20 St., Miami, Fla. CA. $1,624,524. Fleet Sonar SCHOOL bldg. at U. S. Naval Station, Noy 70699, KEY WEST, FLA.

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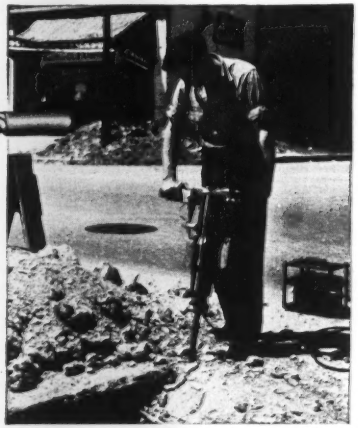

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Sixth Naval Dist., Charleston, S. C. Bids July 16, Awarded Sept. 3. CD 7/9.

Clayton Constr. Co., Orlando, Fla. CA. Approx. $85,000. auto SALES and SERVICE bldg. ORLANDO, FLA. Holler Chevrolet Co., Orlando, Fla. CD 3/6/51.

Hall Constr. Co., Pensacola, Fla., LB $352,181, 55 RESIDENCES, PENSACOLA, FLA. Santa Rosa Island Auth., Pensacola, Fla. Bids Sept. 8. CD 8/25.

A. & O. Builders, 3207½ Metairie Rd., New Orleans, La. LB $325,690. Thomy Lafon Elemenatary SCHOOL, NEW ORLEANS, LA. Orleans Parish School Bd., 703 Carondelet St., New Orleans, La. Bids Sept. 16. CD 8/22.

Industrial Builders Constr. Co., 3107 Havana St., New Orleans, La. Owner Builds, est. $450,000. 23 RESIDENCES, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

▲ **Traylor Bros., Inc.,** Station B, Box 66, Evansville, 12, Ind. LB $1,800,000. POWER PLANT and yard structures, FORD, KY. East Kentucky Rural Electric Co-operative Corp., Winchester, Ky. Bids Sept. 18. CD 9/3.

▲ **Whittenberg Constr. Co.,** 2214 S. Brook St., Louisville, Ky. CA $1,250,000. BUILDING, 7 and York Sts. to be rented to P.O. for parcel post and garage for government vehicles, LOUISVILLE, KY. H. G. Whittenberg, 2214 S. Brook St., Louisville, Ky. Awarded Sept. 19.

G. C. Nowlin Constr. Co., 3400 Sharp St., Memphis, Tenn. Owner Builds. $500,000. 56 RESIDENCES, MEMPHIS, TENN.

▲ **Wilkinson & Snowden, Inc.,** Commerce Title Bldg., Memphis, Tenn., Owner Builds. $1,000,000. 192 RESIDENCES in Park Acres. MEMPHIS, TENN.

Renshaw & Estridge, 5079 Old Summer Rd., Memphis, Tenn. Owner builds. $750,000. 72 RESIDENCES, MEMPHIS, TENN.

Kemmons Wilson, 4985 Summer Ave., Memphis, Tenn., Owner Builds. Approx. $500,000. 120-unit MOTOR COURT, on Hy. 51, MEMPHIS, TENN.

MIDDLE WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

Mich., Detroit—HEATING PLANT—B.A. 10/7—City Stephen F. Resh, pres., Dpt. P. Light Comn., Contr. PL-10B heating plant imprvs. piping, boiler plant, equip. two 300 hp. boilersments, 600 ho boiler, equipment, stoker piping, installation. Plans deposit $15 refundable, George R. Thompson, city engr. CD 3/30/43.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ **Mich., Detroit**—HOSPITAL—B.A. 10/21—Herman Kiefer Hospital, Taylor and Hamilton Sts., 5 story, 170x300 ft., brick, steel concrete, 1,100,000 cu. ft. T-shaped tuberculosis hospital, $2,000,000. Plans deposit $100. H. E. Beyster & Assoc., Inc., 2000 Industrial Bank Bldg., archt. CD 5/14.

Wis., La Crosse—HOSPITAL—B.A. 10/21—LaCrosse Lutheran Hospital Assn., 1910 South Ave. hospital addn. $700,000. Boyum, Schubert & Sorenson, Hoeschler Bldg., archts. Extended date. CD 9/12.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

Penker Const. Co., 1030 Summer St., Cincinnati, O. CA. $240,170. Est. $247,915, access road from Spring Grove Ave. at Ralston Ave. to site of new central incinerators by grading, paving, const. bridge over Mill creek. CINCINNATI, O. City, City Hall, Cincinnati, O. Bids July 8. Awarded Sept. 5. CD 7/2.

▲ **ILLINOIS**—State Div. Hys., Centennial Bldg., Springfield.

Allied Structural Steel Co., 20 N. Wacker Dr., Chicago 6, Ill., CA. $1,291,561 furnish structural steel for bridge over Illinois River on U. S. 6 Cass and Schuyler Counties. Bids Sept. 9, Awarded Sept. 17. CD 9/12 under LB.

▲ **Dpt. Purchases,** City Hall, Chicago, Ill., bids Sept. 17 cancelled, three sections of tunnel construction for Central District Filtration Plant, CHICAGO, ILL. CD 8/21.

City, Public Lighting Comn., City Hall, Detroit, Mich. Owner Builds. $91,000. 1 story, brick, concrete block SUB STATION, DETROIT, MICH. CD 3/30/43.

J. A. Fredman Contg. Co., Pontiac, Mich. CA $737,400, est. $700,000. sewage treatment plant imprvs., addns., PONTIAC, MICH. City, Arla R. Evans, city clk., Pontiac, Mich. Bids Sept. 4. CD 8/21.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Myers Y. Cooper Co.,** 2649 Erie Ave., Cincinnati, O. Owner Builds. $1,500,000. 20 (rev) one-family 25x80 ft., 20x60 ft. brick DWELLINGS, on Rockwood and W. Rockwood Dr., CINCINNATI, O. CD 4/28.

William O'Rourke, 4534 W. 8 St., Cincinnati, O., Owner Builds $950,000. 66 1½ story brick HOMES on Mt. Alverno, Greenwell Rds., Glenroy Ave. and extens. of Schroeder Ave., Delhi Hills, CINCINNATI, O. Leslie Moss, 1210 Drott Ave., Cincinnati, O. archt. Nunlist Floricher, Trac Bldg., Cincinnati, O., engr.

▲ **Donald Easter,** agent, 10 S. La Salle St., Chicago, Zone 3, rejected bids Aug. 25, 17 story, bsmnt., rein.-con. brick APARTMENT and GARAGE, 1540 North State Parkway CHICAGO, ILL. Est. $1,000,000. CD 8/11.

▲ **Welso Constr. Co.,** 2345 S. Crawford St., Chicago, 23, Ill., CA $1,500,000, 1 story, 196,000 sq. ft. WAREHOUSE and FACTORY, 1 story, 6,000 sq. ft. OFFICE, CHICAGO, ILL. Caine Steel Co., 1820 N. Central St., Chicago, Ill. Awarded Sept. 15. CD 7/3.

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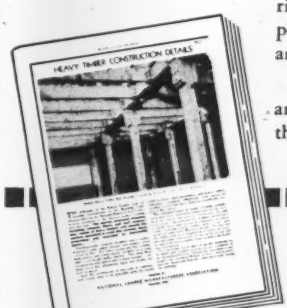

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Morris Handler Co., 2718 W. Chicago St., Chicago, Ill., CA, $500,000, 11 story HOSPITAL modification, CHICAGO, ILL. Mount Sinai Hospital, 2750 W. 15 St., Chicago, Ill. A. Epstein & Sons Co., 2011 Pershing Rd., Chicago 9, Ill., archts.

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Geo. D. Johnson Co., 420 S St., Peoria, Ill., LB $500,000 community HIGH SCHOOL, ELMWOOD, ILL. School District 200, Elmwood, Ill. CD 8/18.

† Sumner S. Sollitt Co., 307 N. Michigan Ave., Chicago, 1, Ill., CA, $3,770,000, electronics supply OFFICE bldg., supply depot, GREAT LAKES, ILL. Ninth Naval Distr., Great Lakes, Ill. Bids Aug. 19, awarded Sept. 12. CD 9/12, under LB.

▲ Thos R. Shaver, 53 W. Jackson St., Chicago, 53, Ill. CA, $1,800,000, chemical and rare earths PLANT expansion, WEST CHICAGO, ILL. Lindsay Chemical Co., West Chicago, Ill. Frazier & Raferty, 315 James St., Geneva, Ill., archts. Awarded Sept. 12.

Elzinga & Volkers, Inc., Holland, Mich. CA $658,640. 2 story, brick, masonry Fairmount Elementary SCHOOL, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. City, H. P. Herrington, secy., Bd. Educ., Grand Rapids, Mich. Bids Sept. 3. CD 8/21.

▲ O. W. Burke Co., 1932 Fisher Bldg., Detroit, Mich. LB $1,548,700. general contract brick, steel, concrete COUNTY-CITY BLDG., incl. municipal and state offices and jail. PORT HURON, MICH. City of Port Huron and Comrs., St. Clair Co., Port Huron, Mich. Bids Sept. 16. CD 8/14.

WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

† Hutchinson Constr. Co., Fremont, Neb., CA, $36,480, repairs to Rand and Cutoff ditch levees, west of Missouri Valley, Inv. 25-066-53-24.

Hart Constr. Co., 668 S. 41st St., Omaha, Neb., CA, $33,832, repairs to levees, Council Bluffs to Alberts Mills and Pottawattamie Counties and Folsom levee near Missouri River, near Council Bluffs, Inv. 25-066-53-46. IOWA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb.

† Korshoj Constr. Co., Blair, Neb., CA, $36,550, emergency levee repairs on Coulthard Levee, near Missouri Valley, Inv. 25-066-53-71. IOWA. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Sept. 10.

† Perry McGlone Constr. Co., 1805 Grand St., Kansas City, Mo. CA, $81,057, emergency levee repairs, Mile Creek Levee, near Corning, Inv. 25-066-53-45. MISSOURI. U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. Bids Sept. 5. CD 6/1/44.

† W. A. Lynn, Trust Bldg., Lincoln, Neb. LB $506,025. piles dikes, revetment, Missouri River, Missouri City to Lexington Reach, near Napoleon, Inv. 23-028-53-32, MISSOURI. U. S. Eng., 601 Davidson Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. Bids Sept. 12. CD 9/11 under LB.

Killoren Co., Appleton, Wis. CA, $743,004, 428.05 mi. rural distr. lines, sys. imprvs., Johnson Co., ARKANSAS. Arkansas Valley Electric Co-operative Corp., 300 W. College St., Ozark, Ark. H. B. Gieb & Assoc., Bristow Bldg., Ozark, Ark., engrs. CD 6/1/51.

† Layne-Minnesota Co., 3140 Snelling Ave., Minneapolis, Minn. LB $40,517, water wells, Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, Inv. 32-015-53-2. NORTH DAKOTA. U. S. Eng., Fort Lincoln, Box 300, Bismarck, N. D. Bids Aug. 26. CD 8/7.

† U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb. rejected bids Sept. 16, repair bit. surf. on access road, Inv. 25-066-53-90. SOUTH DAKOTA. Will re-advertise. CD 9/10.

Dobson & Robinson, 823 1st. Natl. Bank Bldg., Lincoln, Neb., CA, $100,302, storm sewer in northeast sect. of City, LINCOLN, NEB. City, City Hall, Lincoln, Neb. D. L. Erickson, city engr.

▲† Storms-Frew Constr. Co., 6601 E. 37 St., Leeds, Mo. LB, $2,117,718. est. $1,981,662. restore flood levees, 642,000 cu.yd. excav., 800,000 cu.yd. earth fill, 77,000 base stone, Kansas City, Wyandotte Co.

Cunningham Kewit Co., 4229 Lafayette St., Omaha, Neb. LB, $449,921. est. $366,885. dike work, 12,720 ft. piling, 68,000 tons stone, Atchison, KANSAS. U. S. Eng., 601 Davidson Bldg., Kansas City 8, Mo. Bids Sept. 9.

E. W. Geiger, Inc., First and Topeka Sts., Topeka, Kan. CA, $68,665. 11 county bridges, El DORADO, KAN. Butler Co., El Dorado, Kan. L. W. Newcomber, county engr. Bids Aug. 14.

OKLAHOMA—State Hy. Dpt., Capitol, Oklahoma City.
Cohenhour Constr. Co., Ardmore, Okla., CA, $75,700, est. $88,652, 2.97 mi. grade on farm to market road at Francis, Pontotoc Co.; CA, $128,258, est. $158,653, grading 7 mi. on farm to market road at Francis, Pontotoc Co. Awarded Sept. 10.

▲ TEXAS—State Hy. Comn., Austin.
Austin Contg. Co., P.O. Box 1590, Dallas, Tex., LB $569,200, soil cement base and hot mix b. conc. 36.931 mi. Hy. U.S. 183, 283, 82 and 277; C-156-6 and 6-15 and 14, Archer and Baylor Counties.
Dailey & Holifield, Frost Natl. Bank Bldg., San Antonio, Tex., LB $145,506. fdn. course, 1 course surf. tr. in shoulders, grading, widen structures and asph. pavement 14.85 mi. Hy. U.S. 83 and 277. Proj. C 33-4-15, Jones Co.;

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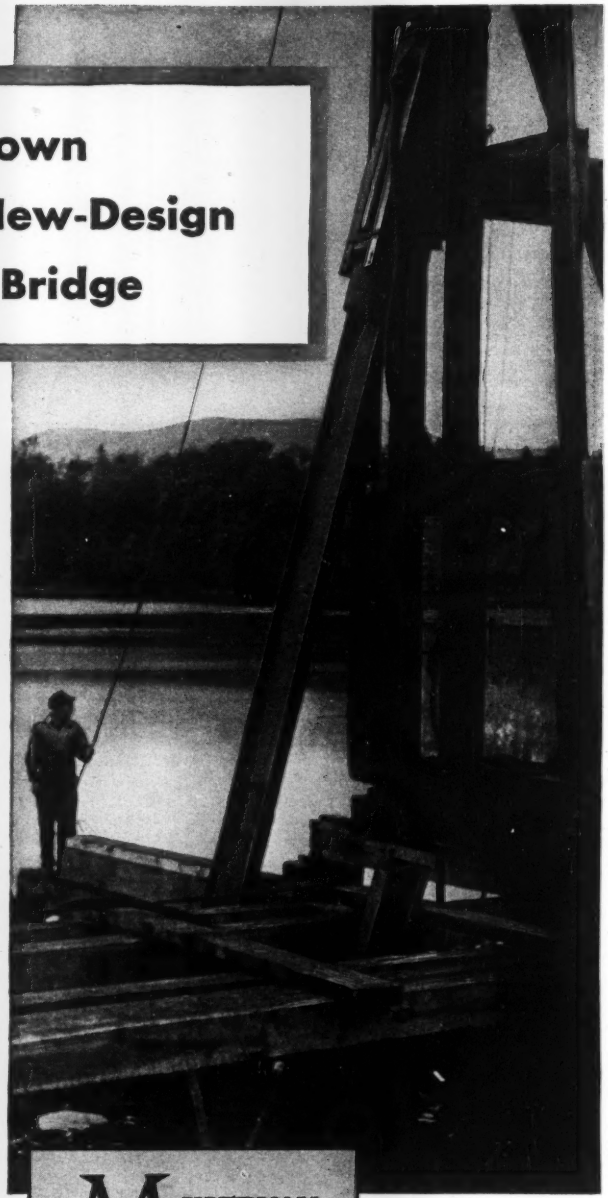

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Fred Hall & Son, Valley Mills, Tex., LB $101,678, grading, structures, base and surf. 5.5 mi. Hy. FM 744, Proj. S 1620 (1), Hill Co.;

Heldenfels Bros., Rockport, Tex., LB $158,213, grading, structures, base, surf. 6.628 mi. Hy. FM 1862, Proj. R 1744-1-1, Matagorda Co.;

L. H. Lacy Co., 5630 Yale Blvd., Dallas, Tex., LB $152,283. wid'n. c. conc. and b. conc. pavement 0.923 mi. Hy. U.S. 190, Proj. F 401-(2), Robertson Co.;

Hugh McMillan, P.O. Box 1227, El Paso, Tex., LB $528,166. wid'n. pavement, resurf., construct shoulders, b. conc. pavement 31.055 mi. Hy. U.S. 80, C 2-11-14 Culberson Co.;

J. W. Perry, 501 Insurance Bldg., San Antonio, Tex., LB $84,531. grading, structures, base, surf. 12.667 mi. Hy. FM 583, 1689, 1467, Proj. S 270 (2), Brown and Eastland Counties. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/4, 9/8, 8/28.

† **Burnett Constr. Co.,** Box 336, Corpus Christi, Tex., CA, $536,000. aircraft storehouse. Cont. NOY 72201, Naval Air Station, CORPUS CHRISTI, TEX. U. S. Govt., Officer in Charge of Construction, Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Tex. Bids Aug. 19, Awarded Sept. 15. CD 9/16, under LB.

Austin Paving Co., 1000 Singleton Blvd., Dallas, Tex. LB $624,618. est. $70,000. asph. paving of streets, etc., in West Dallas Housing Proj. DALLAS, TEX. Dallas Housing Auth., 2525 Lucas Dr., Dallas, Tex. Bids Sept. 11. CD 9/4.

† **U. S. Eng.,** 100 W. Vickery St., Fort Worth, Tex. Own Forces. Approx. $100,000. repairing and imprv. 4 maintenance docks, Carswell Air Force Base. FORT WORTH, TEX. CD 9/9.

† **List & Clark Constr. Co.,** Railway Exchange Bldg., Kansas City, Mo., CA $713,013, channelization of the Rio Grande River, fish and wildlife refuge to San Marcial, Middle Rio Grande Proj. Spec. DC-3620, NEW MEXICO. Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo. Bids Aug. 21, Awarded Sept. 11. CD 8/28, under LB.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Miller Stauch Constr. Co.,** Railway Exchange Bldg., Kansas City, Mo. CA, Est. Approx. $1,500,000. 300,000 sq. ft. PLANT and OFFICES, paving 300,000 sq. ft. parking area, Seventh St. trafficway and Kindelberger Rd., on 45 acre site, KANSAS CITY, KAN. Auto Transport, Inc., Div. General Motors Corp., E. D. Rellert, plant mgr., Fairfax Industrial Dist., Kansas City, Kan.

Patti Constr. Co. Inc., 1340 Admiral St., Kansas City, Mo. CA $609,000. Contr. No. K-26, PLANT YARD STRUCTURES at Kaw Power Station, KANSAS CITY, KAN. Bd. P. Utilities, Kansas City, Kan. CD 9/11, under LB.

J. B. Drake, 4116 Villanova St., Houston, Tex.—Owner Builds. Approx. $375,000, 12 masonry type DWELLINGS, HOUSTON, TEX. CD 9/9.

▲ **BMFP Constr. Co.,** Lubbock, Tex., LB. $1,441,500, 20-story bsmnt. OFFICE, LUBBOCK, TEX. Great Plains Insurance Co., 2347 19th St., Lubbock, Tex. Bids Sept. 15. CD 8/27.

Bassenberg & Ellison, Northridge Park, San Antonio, Tex., Owner Builds. Approx. $350,000. 25 DWELLINGS, SAN ANTONIO, TEX. CD 9/5.

C. M. Caskey, 625 W. Summit St., San Antonio, Tex. Owner Builds. Approx. $450,000. 30 DWELLINGS, SAN ANTONIO, TEX. CD 9/5.

▲† **Robert E. McKee General Contractor,** 485 S. Wyoming Ave., Albuquerque, N. M., LB. $1,853,700, 80 MAGAZINES, four bldgs., Wingate Ordnance Depot, Eng. 29-005-53-2. WINGATE, N. M. U. S. Eng., Box 1538, Albuquerque, N. M. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/3.

FAR WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

† **Washington**—B.A. 10/15—Bureau Reclamation, Dept. Interior, Coulee Dam, completion of river channel slope protection, Grand Coulee Dam, Columbia Basin Proj. Spec. No. DC-3803. adv. ENR 10/2.

† **California**—B.A. 10/16—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Folsom, constr. Camp Creek tunnel and access road, Sly Park Unit, American River Division, Central Vally Proj., near Placerville, Spec. DC-3806. adv ENR 10/2.

† **Washington**—B.A. 10/28—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior Bldg. 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., furnishing, installing two 8,315 kva, 95-per-cent power factor, 240 rpm, 4,160 volt, 3-phase, vertical-shaft, 60-cycle, open-type, air-cooled, hydraulic-turbine-driven, generators for Chandler Power Plant. Spec. No. DC-3804. adv. ENR 10/2.

▲ **Calif., Sacramento**—B.A. 10/30—City, City Hall, Schedule A-L sewage treatment plant; Schedule B-L. S diversion structural, 72 in. influent line, between sump and plant, Schedule C-L.S 78 in. effluent line, $4,490,000. Plans deposit $50, P & S city Eng., C. C. Kennedy, 604 Mission St., San Francisco, engr. CD 2/2/51.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

WASHINGTON—State Hy. Dpt., Olympia,
Northwest Const. Co., 3950 6 Ave., N. W., Seattle, Wash., LB $739,252, 2 rein.-con. bridges and paving 3.9 mi. Highway 2, east of Tanner, King Co. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/10.

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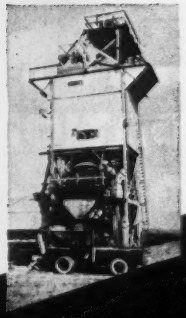

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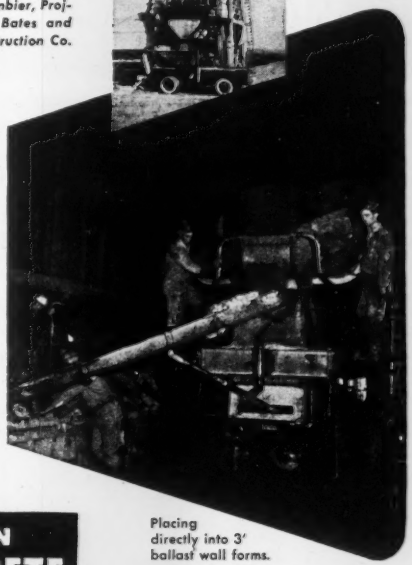

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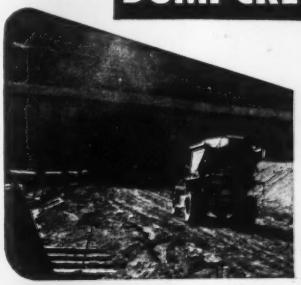

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P. & J. Artukovitch, M. Miller Co., 777 N. Bunker Hill, Los Angeles, Calif., LB, $527,571, installing sanitary sewers and pumping station in Garvey Ave., POMONA, CALIF. City, 250 W. 4 St., Pomona, Calif. Bids Sept. 16. CD 8/21.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ Harris Const. Co., P. O. Box 109, Fresno, Calif. CA $1,297,898. Sequoia Junior High SCHOOL, Hamilton Ave. between 9 St. and Cedar Ave. on 10 acre site, FRESNO, CALIF. Fresno City Unified School Dist., Fresno, Calif. Bids Sept. 11, awarded Sept. 15. CD 8/19.

Dowd-Hoefer Co., Box 425, Fontana, Calif., LB, $844,890 est. $600,000, Polytechnic High School AUDITORIUM, RIVERSIDE, CALIF. Riverside City School District, Riverside, Calif. Bids Sept. 11. CD 7/30.

▲ Pruitt Constr. & Equipment Co., 8617 4 Ave., Inglewood, Calif., CA. $1,135,000, 227 frame, stucco DWELLINGS, on Leland Ave., Tract 17769, WHITTIER, CALIF. Leland Gardens, Inc., 8617 4 Ave., Inglewood, Calif. Southwest Drafting Service, 2724 W. Florence Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., archts.

▲ John D. Lusk & Son, 9244 Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. Owner Builds, $1,163,900, 103 frame, stucco dwellings, Avonbury Ave. and others, Tracts 16885 and 18262, WHITTIER, CALIF.

CANADA

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

N. S., Greenwood—SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT—B.A. 10/7—C. J. Connolly, engr., c/o Defence Constr. Ltd., 1032 Gottingen St., Halifax, N. S., sewage disposal plant at R.C.A.F. Station, Approx. $300,000. Plans deposit $100.

SOON LETS CONTRACT—BUILDINGS

▲ Ont., Toronto—WAREHOUSE, etc.—Simpson's Ltd., 176 Yonge St., soon lets contract, 470x640 ft., frame brick warehouse and service bldg., Lawrence Ave. W. and Beechmount Ave., $2,000,000. F. S. Corley, c/c owner, ch. archt. Margison & Babcock, 119 Isabella St., Toronto, Ont., engrs. John B. Parkin Assoc., 717 Church St., Toronto, Ont., archts.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

Fort Constr. Co. Ltd., 11742 129 St., Edmonton, Alta., CA, $141,275, 1 course c. conc. walks, concr. base for bit. surf. walks, EDMONTON, ALTA. City, Civic Block, Edmonton, Alta. Bids Aug. 28, awarded Sept. 5.

▲ Northern Constr. Co. and J. W. Stewart Ltd., 1304 Hornby St., Vancouver, B. C., CA, $7,157,401, raising level at Lac du Bonnet to 834 ft. at McArthur Falls power development, Winnipeg, MANITOBA. Manitoba Hydro-Electric Board, Phoenix Bldg., Winnipeg, Man. Bids Sept. 8, awarded Sept. 15. CD 8/12.

T. S. Stephens 150 Prince Edward St., St. John, N. B., CA, $125,411, 2 mi. paving CHATHAM, N. B. Municipality Chatham, N. B.

Thomas S. Stephens, 150 Prince Edwards St., St. John, N. B., CA, $125,441, street repairs 2 mi. on Main St., SUSSEX, N. S. Town, A. E. Dean, Mayor, Town Hall, Sussex, N. B. Awarded Sept. 12.

ONTARIO—Dpt. Highways, Toronto, Ont. (Prov. Govt.)

Blyth Constr. Co., 7 St. Andrews Gardens, Toronto, Ont., CA, $200,000, bridge over Mississippi River 4 mi. up from here, Arnprior. Bids Sept. 5. CD 8/19.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

Burns & Dutton Concrete, Calgary, Alta., CA, $314,600 1 story, brick, steel technical wing of new high SCHOOL, MEDICINE HAT, ALTA. Medicine Hat School Board Medicine Hat, Alta. Bids Aug. 28, awarded Sept. 5. CD 8/13.

Ambrose Wheeler Ltd., 19 Wesley St., Moncton, N. B., CA, $400,000, 1 story 200x200 ft., steel, brick parts and service DEPOT, MONCTON, N. B. Chrysler Corp. of Canada Ltd., 2450 Chrysler Center, Windsor, Ont. L. H. Schwindt & Co., Queen Elizabethway, Burlington, Ont., engrs. CD 7/28.

Candian Machinery & Industries Ltd., Octagon Pond, Newfoundland, CA, $200,000, oil hardening PLANT HARBOUR GRACE, NEWFOUNDLAND Refining & Hardening Corona Ltd., Harbour Grace, Newfoundland CD 10/17/51.

▲ Standard Constr. Co., 101 Upper Water St., Halifax, N. S., LB, $1,397,349, 261 unit in 53 buildings HOUSING project, HALIFAX, N. S. Central Mortgage & Housing Corp., 1032 Gottingen St., Halifax, N. S. Bids Aug. 20. CD 8/11.

M. Sullivan & Son Ltd., 234 Elgin St., Arnprior, Ont., CA, $400,000, 1 story, F-shaped, 179x249 ft., brick block and frame SCHOOL, HALIBURTON, ONT. Haliburton County District School Bd., Haliburton, Ont. Bids Aug. 29, awarded Sept. 12. CD 8/27.

Mollenhauer Contg. Co. Ltd., 188 Perth St., Toronto, Ont., CA, $167,000, 1 story, part bsmnt., 100x200 ft. steel frame, brick FACTORY, Park Lawn Rd., ISLINGTON, ONT. Stanley A. Grant Ltd., 380 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, Ont. Bids Aug. 18, awarded Sept. 10. CD 8/19.

J. Kemp Constr. Ltd., 121 Vansitmart St., Hamilton, Ont., CA, $150,000, 1 story 60x180 ft., concrete, masonry FACTORY ADDN., HAMILTON, ONT. Parritt & Spencer Ltd., 7 Lottridge St., Hamilton, Ont. Bids Aug. 1. CD 7/28

▲ **Frid Constr. Co.,** 128 King St. E., Hamilton, Ont., CA, $2,500,000, 35 ft high 160x533 ft., PLANT, LONDON, ONT. General Motors Diesel Ltd., East Oxford St., London, Ont.

▲ **M. Sullivan & Son Ltd.,** 234 Elgin St., Arnprior, Ont., CA, $1,344,447, 2 story bsmnt., 149x207 ft., rein.-con. frame, masonry PUBLIC bldg. PETERBOROUGH, ONT. Dpt. P. Wks., Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, Ont. Bids July 30, awarded Sept. 12. CD 8/19, under LB.

▲ **Foundation Co. of Canada Ltd.,** 1220 Bay St., Toronto, Ont., CA, $1,300,000, 75x206 ft., rein con., frame, brick 13-16th floors main OFFICE ADDN., TORONTO, ONT. Bell Telephone Co. of Canada Ltd., 76 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, Ont. Marani & Morris, 1250 Bay St., Toronto, Ont. archts. Awarded Sept. 12. CD 3/23/50.

▲ **Foundation Co. of Canada Ltd.,** 1220 Bay St., Toronto, Ont., CA, $4,000,000, 1 and 2 story, 250x750 ft., aircraft PLANT, 3 story 100x130 ft. OFFICE wing concrete, steel frame, brick, block, Downsview, TORONTO, ONT. De Haviland Aircraft of Canada Ltd., Downsview, Ont. Bids Sept. 12, awarded Sept. 17. CD 9/4.

▲ **F. H. McGraw Co. of Canada Ltd.,** 1520 Mountain St., Montreal, Que., CA, $2,000,000, foundation for 250x 216x175 ft., rein.-con., stone MILL, ASBESTOS, QUE. Canadian Johns-Mansville Co. Ltd., Sun Life Bldg., Montreal, Que. CD 11/23/51.

Proposed Projects

WATER SUPPLY

S. C., Eau Claire—Town, Town Clerk, Town Hall, WW imprvs. $745,000.

▲ **Tex., Midland-City,** voted bonds, misc. items in the general water imprv. program, $1,330,000; pumping station, $350,000; ground concrete storage reservoirs at Well Field, 2 m. gal., each, 35 ft high, $415,000; 43,800 lin. ft. conduit or water supply line from field wells to city limits. $1,400,000; distr. and water gathering lines, $650,000; 10 water supply wells and completely equipping. $400,000; elevated 1 m. gal. steel elevated storage tank. $200,000. H. N. Roberts & Assoc., Lubbock, consult. engrs. Henry E. Nunn, water engr. CD 8/20.

W. Va., Morgantown—City, WW imprvs. $300,000.

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

Calif., Pismo Beach—City, of Pismo Beach and San Luis Obispo County, City Hall, $242,000 bond election Sept. 23, sewage disposal plant. CD 4/17.

▲ **Calif., San Diego**—City, Civic Center, $3,500,000 bond election Nov. 4, storm drain program, $7,000,000.

▲ **Calif., San Diego**—San Diego Co., Civic Center, sewage treatment plant, disposal plant, Fort Rosecraus Military Reservation, $16,000,000, C. G. Hyde, A. M. Rawn and D. H. Caldwell, 2495 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, consult. engrs.

▲ **Ill., Centralia**—City, bond election October 14, sanitary and storm sewerage sys. modification and imprvs. $1,400,000. Consoer Townsend & Co., 351 Ohio St., Chicago Zone 11, consult. engr. CD 9/17.

▲ **Mich., East Lansing**—City, City Council, 3 storm relief sewers, $1,300,000, Hubbell, Roth & Clark, Inc., 2640 Buhl Bldg., Detroit, consult. engrs. CD 4/8/52.

Minn., St. Louis Park—Village, J. Justad, clk., voted $200,000 bonds Sept. 9, municipal incinerator. G. M. Orr Eng. Co., 1004 Marquette Ave., Minneapolis, consult. engrs. CD 8/7.

Mont., Hamilton—City, sewerage sys., $270,000, Dr. H. O. Halverson, University of Illinois, Urbana, consult. engr.

▲ **O., Coshocton**—City, sewage disposal plant, sewage sys. $1,067,736. CD 11/29/46.

O., Logan—City, sewage disposal plant. $350,000.

O., Ottawa—Village, $250,000 bond election November 4, sanitary sewerage sys. and sewage treatment plant, $757,000. CD 11/13/46.

▲ **Tenn., Paris**—City, city clerk, City Hall, bond election November 4, sanitary sewer imprvs. $1,000,000. CD 10/2/46.

Tex., Fort Worth—City, c/o W. O. Jones, city mgr., City Hall, imprvs. at city's sewage treatment plant, incl. increasing size of pump bldg. at plant and storm water pumps. $250,000. C. M. Thelin, c/o owner, Dir. P. Wks. CD 2/4/49.

Tex., Midland—City, voted bonds, sanitary sewer lines, sys. imprvs., $540,000; sewage disposal plant, $400,000. H. N. Roberts & Assoc., Lubbock, consult. engrs. CD 8/20.

▲ **Tex., San Antonio**—City, City Hall, Military Plaza, new storm drainage lines, $12,000,000; rehabilitation existing storm sewer sys., $6,000,000; 30 m. gal/ daily capacity sewage disposal plant, $4,000,000; rehabilitation and imprvs. existing disposal units, $411,083; No. 1, sewage plant disposal plant unit (Northside), $500,000; No. 2, sewage disposal plant unit (southside) $750,000; No. 3, sewage plant unit (eastside) $350,000; No. 4, sewage plant unit (westside), $400,000. J. L. Dickson, c/o owner, eng. CD 12/20/51.

▲ **Utah., Murray**—City, c/o J. Clifford Hansen, mayor, Murray, voted bonds, sewage disposal plant. $1,300,000. Headman, Fergusen & Carolla, 3308 N. 3 St., Phoenix, Ariz. engrs. CD 8/26.

▲ **Va., Lynchburg**—City, City Hall, sewage treatment plant, $2,750,000. Wiley & Wilson, 905 Peoples Bank Bldg., consult. engrs.

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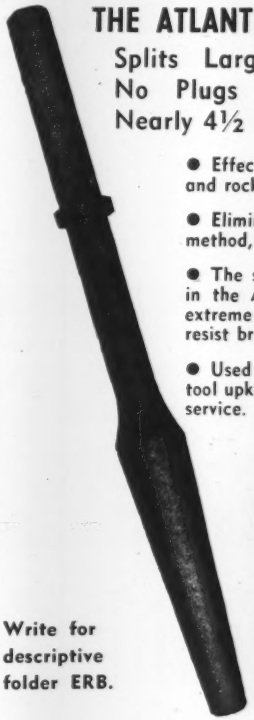

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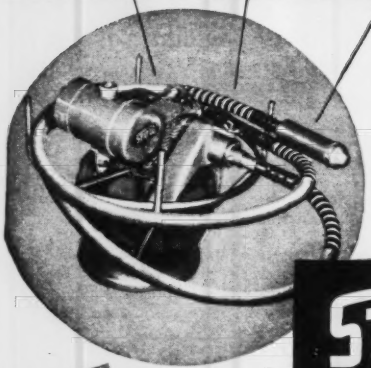

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BRIDGES

Mo., Kansas City—City, Reed McKinley, dir., Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, exten. of Chestnut viaduct with trafficway connections, $775,000. Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff, 921 Walnut St., Kansas City, Mo., consult. engrs. CD 3/6.

Wash., Yakima—City, City Hall, voted bonds, Lenox Ave. R. R. overpass. $400,000. H. Hadley, Seaboard Bldg., Seattle Zone 1, consult. engr. A. B. Collins, city engr. CD 7/15.

STREETS AND ROADS

▲ **FLORIDA**—State Rds. Dpt., Tallahassee, 443 mi. toll turnpike from Jacksonville to Miami, $275,000,000, Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall & Macdonald, 52 Broadway, New York 6, N. Y., made survey and recommended construction.

▲ **Neb., Omaha**—City, City Hall, 18 and Farnam Sts., long range project for re-surfacing 306 mi. of streets, $4,500,000. Kirkham, Michael & Assoc., 1504 Dodge St., consult. engrs. made survey.

▲ **OHIO**—State Hy. Dpt., c/o Hy. Dir., Columbus, **Cuyahoga Co.**—widen., relocation and resurf. U. S. Rte. 42 (Pearl Rd.) near Strongsville, $1,400,000. Louis L. Drasler, 10100 Broadway S. E., Cleveland engr.

SOUTH CAROLINA—State Hy. Dpt., Columbia, **Lancaster Co.**—imprvs. to 45 mi. county roads. $420,000.

Tex., Midland—City, voted bonds, street imprvs. and paving, $475,000. H. N. Roberts & Assoc., Lubbock, consult. engrs. CD 8/21.

▲ **Tex., San Antonio**—City, City Hall, Military Plaza, existing streets paving rehabilitation, grading, drainage, graveling, etc. $2,000,000; permanent type street imprvs., paving, $4,665,120; J. L. Dickson, Ch. P. Wks. Engr.

EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

Minn., Minneapolis—Hennepin Co., R. F. Fitzsimmons, aud., Court House, dredging in Glen Lake and sloping of shore line, $374,298. [illegible] F. Zimmerman, hy. engr.

▲ **Wash., Centralia**—City, City Hall, Yelm hydro-electric plant addn. $1,500,000. Carey & Kramer, 1917 1 Ave., Seattle, consult. engrs. CD 7/15.

AIRPORTS

† **Calif., Mojave—FACILITIES**—Dpt. Navy, San Diego, rehabilitate, addnl. facilities, Marine Auxiliary Landing, $400,000.

† **Calif., Santa Ana**—OFFICERS QUARTERS—Dpt. Navy, San Diego, bachelor officers' quarters at Marine Corps Air Station, NOY 71156. Spec. 32710. $500,000.

▲† **Tex., Kelly Air Force Base**—AIRPORT—U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, hangar, shop for overhauling B-36's and similar; 2 city blocks wide and 4 city blocks long. $14,000,000; 315,150 sq. yds. concrete aprons for very heavy bombers, $1,250,000; new engine test cells, $3,500,000; huge underground gasoline storage sys. $3,000,000.

LATIN AMERICA

Mexico, Mexico City—NATIONAL PRESS CLUB—City Govt., Palacio Municipal, national press club for the Asociacion Mexicana de Periodist (Mexicon Journalists Assn.). Articulo 123, No. 22-1, Mexico City. $500,000.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Calif., Bakersfield—HOSPITAL—Greater Bakersfield Hospital Assn., Bakersfield, 100-bed hospital, $646,976.

▲ **Calif., Bakersfield**—HOSPITAL—Bd. Supervs., Kern Co., Court House, 150-bed hospital, service facilities, 1830 Flower St., $1,003,426.

Calif., Los Angeles—SOCIAL SCIENCE BLDG.—University of California, 405 Hilgard St., plans by Risley & Gould, 2502 W. Temple St., convert chemistry bldg. to social science bldg., $600,000.

▲ **Calif., San Francisco**—FIRE HOUSE—City, Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, bond election Nov. 4, fire house, $4,750,000. CD 4/18/52.

Calif., Woodland—SCHOOL—Woodland County, Bd. Educ., plans by Barovetto & Thomas, 718 Alhambra Rd., Sacramento, branch Woodland High School, $975,000. CD 6/10.

▲ **Colo., Denver**—JAIL—City and County of Denver, City and County Bldg., voted $2,500,000 bonds, county jail.

Conn., Mansfield—PATIENT BLDG.—State, Dpt. P. Wks. Comm., Hartford, plans by Brown & Von Buren, 295 Sherman St., New Haven, girls' patient bldg., enlarging cafeteria, Mansfield State Hospital. $950,000. CD 1/16/52.

Fla., Pensacola—JAIL—Escambia County Comrs., Pensacola, plans by Yonge & Hart, 611 Blount Bldg., county jail $500,000. James Gamble Rogers, 145 Lincoln Wave, Winter Park, consult. engr. CD 9/10.

▲† **Ga., Byron**—ADMINISTRATION—Dpt. Navy, 18 St. and Constitution Ave. N.W., Wash. 25, D. C., administration, maintenance, shops, medical bldg., storage and

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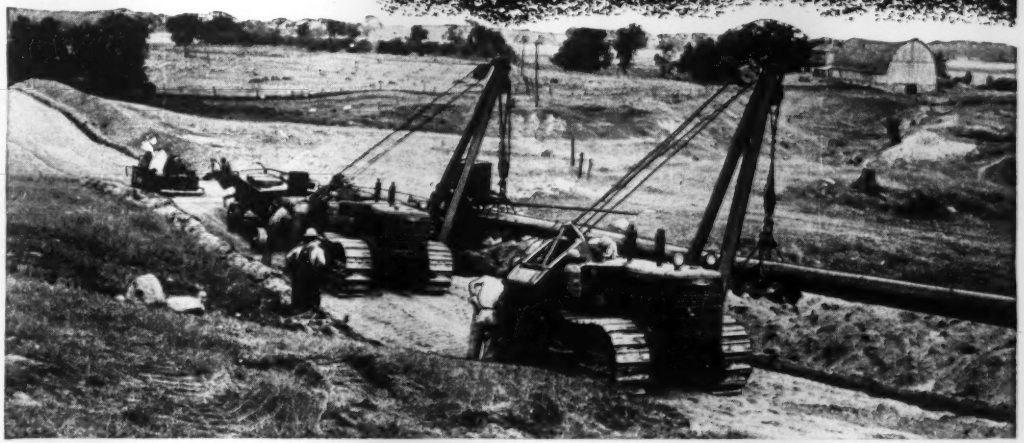

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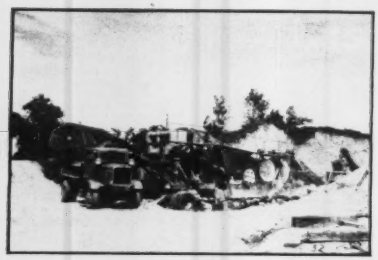

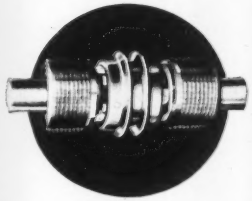

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Idaho, Clark Fork—SCHOOL—School Dist. 82, plans by G. A. Pehrson & Assoc., Old National Bank Bldg., Spokane, Wash., high school addn., **$600,000.**

▲ **Ill., Chicago**—APARTMENT—New York Life Insurance Co., 51 Madison Ave., New York 10, N. Y. plans by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, 100 W. Monroe St., one 12-story apartment, two 23-story apartments and several 2-story garden type apartments on Lake Meadows Proj. **$6,000,000.**

Ill., East St. Louis—SCHOOL—School Dist. No. 181, Howard B. Black, supt., Signal Hill, voted **$510,000** bonds, elementary school, Signal Hill; Wm. B. Ittner, Inc., 408 Bd. Educ. Bldg., 911 Locust St., St. Louis 1, Mo., archts. CD 8/21.

† **Ill., Granite City**—WAREHOUSES—U. S. Eng., Granite City Engineers Depot, Granite City, 2 warehouses for storing inflammable materials, resawing and box-making shop, seage lift station, 8,000 ft. water main to connect with Granite City Sys. **$776,000.** CD 1/2/51.

▲ **Ia., Mason City**—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., **$1,200,000** bond election No. 4, school.

Kan., Kansas City—ARMORY—City, City Hall, plans by Reeves & Schlup, 1401 Fairfax Trafficway, Kansas City, Kan., armory. **$612,540.**

Mass., Somerville—SCHOOLS—City, Mayor's Office, City Hall, plans by Perley F. Bilbert & Assoc., Inc., 53 Central St., Lowell, elementary school, **$500,000;** elementary school, **$300,000.** CD 3/3/49.

▲ **Mich., East Lansing**—SCHOOL—City, C. E. MacDonald, supt., plans by Laitala & Noechterlein, 600 Hollister Bldg., Lansing and Eberle M. Smith Assoc., Inc., 153 E. Elizabeth St., Detroit, 2 story, bsmnt., brick, steel, concrete high school, Abbott Rd. near Burcham Dr., **$2,000,000.** CD 4/8.

▲ **N. Y., Mt. Pleasant**—OFFICE—General Electric Co., 570 Lexington Ave., New York, Zone 22, headquarters office on 186-acre tract. **$5,000,000.**

▲† **N. Y., West Milton**—ATOMIC ENERGY PROJ.—Atomic Energy Comn., P.O. Box 1069, Schenectady, Atomic Energy Proj. **$4,000,000-$5,000,000.** CD 5/16/51.

Okla., Anadarko—COURT HOUSE—Caddo Co., bond election November 4, county court house. **$900,000.**

▲ **Pa., Phila.**—HIGH SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., 21 St. and Winter Sts. plans by Davis, Duntap & Carver, 1717 Sansom St., South Phila. High School. **$7,000,000.** Gravell & Duncan, 1600 Walnut St., consult. engrs. CD 12/19/49.

Pa., Uniontown—GYMNASIUM—Bd. Educ., Uniontown, plans by Emil Johnson, 24 Robinson St., 2 story brick, concrete gymnasium and auditorium addn. to High School. **$700,000.**

▲ **Pa., Washington**—HOSPITAL—Washington Hospital, Washington, plans by Schmidt, Garden & Erickson, 104 S. Michigan St., Chicago, Ill., 3 story bsmnt., brick, concrete, steel hospital addn. **$2,000,000.**

▲ **Tenn., Morristown**—HOSPITAL—Hamblen Co., Morristown plans by Biancutti, Palm & Purnell, 501 Cherry St., Chattanooga, hospital. **$1,000,000.** CD 5/20.

† **Tenn., Tullahoma**—SCHOOL—U. S. Eng., Tullahoma, plans by Taylor & Crabtree, Stahlman Bldg., Nashville, elementary school in 8th Distrcit of Arnold Engineering Development Center area. **$300,000.** CD 11/14/49.

Tex., Austin—RESEARCH LABORATORY—University of Texas, c/o Bd. Regents, Austin, plans by L. White, c/o owner, hydraulic research laboratory. **$650,000.**

▲ † **Tex., Fort Hood**—SHOP, etc.—U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, general mechanical repair shop, **$1,750,000;** light equipment repair shop, **$1,500,000;** heavy equipment repair shop, **$2,500,000;** misc. units of shop const., **$1,500,000;** gas distr. sys., **$60,000;** sanitary sewers, **$100,000;** storm sewers, **$90,000;** area earthwork grading, open drainage, leveling, filling, etc., **$100,000;** streets and roads, **$125,000;** water lines, facilities, **$75,000.**

▲ **Tex., Marshall**—SCHOOLS—Marshall Independent School Dist., Marshall, voted bonds, Junior-High School unit, **$400,000;** grade school, **$350,000;** high school, **$550,000;** elementary school, **$450,000.** CD 8/21.

Tex., San Antonio—PARKING GARAGE—City, City Hall, Military Plaza, parking garage at LaVillita Village. **$750,000.** J. L. Dickson, Dir. P. Wks. Eng. CD. 3/7/51, under LB.

Tex., San Antonio—THEATER—City, City Hall, Military Plaza, imprv. and expanding Arneson River Theater and Bolivar Bldg., at La Villita Village, **$495,000.** J. L. Dickson, P. Wks. Engr. Dir.

▲ **Va., Lynchburg**—HIGH SCHOOL—City School Bd., City Hall, Dunbar High School for Negroes Addn. **$1,500,000.**

▲ **Va., Norfolk**—HOUSING—Norfolk Redevelopment & Housing Auth., Dickson Bldg., plans by Rudolph, Cooke & Van Leeuwen, Inc., Monticello Arcade, 2 story masonry, Proj. VA-6-2, **$2,000,000;** 2-story masonry, Proj. VA-6-9, **$4,000,000;** plans by Alfred M. Lublin, 831 W. 21 St., 2-story masonry, Proj. VA-6-11, **$3,000,000.** Harrison, Ballard & Allen, 123 E. 77 St., New York, N. Y., consult. engrs.

Wash., Seattle—SCHOOL—Shoreline School Dist. No. 137 St. and Roosevelt Way, plans by John Graham & Co., Dexter Horton Bldg., Zone 4, 1 intermediate school at 25 Ave. northeast and E. 160 St. **$750,000.** CD 8/11.

▲ **Wash., Tacoma**—COUNTY CITY BLDG.—Pierce Co., County Court House, City, City Hall, bond election November 4, county-city bldg. **$6,000,000.** CD 1/3.

▲ Wash., Vancouver—HIGH SCHOOL—School Bd., voted bonus, senior high school. $2,500,000. D. W. Hilborn, 307 E. 10 St., archt. CD 6/27/51.

▲ B. C., Essondale—HOSPITAL UNITS—Dpt. P. Wks., Victoria, 300-bed mental hospital unit and 3 story rein.-con. TB unit, approx. $3,000,000.

▲ Ont., Sarnia—POST OFFICE—Postal Dpt., Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, plans by Riddle & Connor, 424 Welling St., London, post office, $2,000,000. CD 9/15.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

Calif., Loma Linda—DENTAL SCHOOL—College of Medical Evangelists, Loma Linda, dental school, $800,000.

▲† Calif., San Bruno—HOUSING—Twelfth Naval Dist., San Bruno, plans by Angus McSweeney, 514 Mission St., San Francisco, construct, manage and finance 500 housing units, between El Camino Real and Junipero Serra Blvd., fronting on San Bruno Ave., $5,000,000.

Colo., Del Norte—HOSPITAL—St. Joseph's Hospital, Del Norte, plans by Thomas & Sweet, 224 Colorado Springs National Bank, Colorado Springs, 1 story, hospital addn.; alterations, $632,000.

▲ D. C., Wash.—OFFICE—American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1515 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., plans by Architects Collaborative, 5 Riggs Court N.W., 8 story, office bldg. 70x140 ft. flat slab type supported by rein.-con., 15 St., Mass. Ave. and Scott Circle, $1,500,000, General Engineering Assoc., 1928 Eye St. N.W., consult. engrs. CD 7/8.

▲ Ind., Indianapolis—DORMITORY—Butler University, 108 E. Washington St., Zone 2, plans by McGuire & Shook, Fletcher Trust Bldg., dormitory for University Air ROTC, $1,000,000.

Mass., Worcester—CIVIL ENGINEERING BLDG.—Worcester Polytechnic Institute, plans by Appleton & Stearns, 53 State St., Boston, 2 story, bsmnt., 48x87 ft., brick, limestone civil engineering bldg., $600,000, Congdon, Gurney & Towle, Inc., 53 State St., Boston, struct. engrs., Thompson Eng. Co., 177 State St., Boston, elec. engrs. CD 6/3.

Nev., Reno—STORE—Lerner Shops, 1191 N. Virginia St., plans by Frank Wynkoop, 410 Fulton-Bresno Bldg., Fresno, Calif., store at 153 N. Virginia St. $500,000.

▲ N. J., Trenton—OFFICE—Louis H. Cahan & Co. Inc., Market St. Natl. Bank Bldg., Phila., Pa. plans by Harry Sternfield, 1411 Walnut St., Phila. office. $7,000,000. CD 9/13/51.

N. Y., New York—OFFICE—C. I. T. Finance Corp., 1 Park Ave., Zone 2, plans by Kahn & Jacobs, 2 Park Ave., Zone 16, loft and office alterations at 390-06 Fourth Ave. $600,000.

▲ N. Y., New York—SCHOOL—Our Lady of Assumption Church, 1634 Mahan Ave., Zone 61, plans by Anthony J. DePace, 151 W. 46 St., Zone 19, 3 story school, Middleton Rd., northeast corner Park View Ave. and 2 story convent on Parkview Ave., southeast corner Roberts Ave. $1,000,000.

N. C., Greensboro—MOTOR COURT—James Thomas, c/o Southern Queen Restaurant, High Point Rd., motor court. $500,000.

O., Cleveland—CHURCH—First Unitarian Church of Cleveland, Dr. Robert J. Killam, Pastor, Euclid and E. 82 Sts., plans by Small, Smith & Reeb, 1010 Euclid St., brick with white wood trim church on Belvoir Oval, $500,000.

▲ Okla., Tulsa—BANK ANNEX—National Bank of Tulsa, 320 S. Boston St., plans by Leon Senter, Philtower bldg., 12 story annex to bank. $1,500,000.

▲ Pa., Pittsburgh—CHURCH, SCHOOL—St. Sebastian Roman Catholic Congregation, McKnight and Seebert Rds., plans by McCloskey Co., Liberty and Denny St., church and school, Ross Twp. $1,200,000.

▲ Pa., Pittsburgh — NURSES TRAINING — Vincentian Sisters of Charity, Box 118, Perrysville, plans by Walter Butler Co. Inc., 1300 Minn. Bldg., St. Paul, Minn., 3 story bsmnt., 42x229 ft. brick tale nurses training school, McCandless Twp. $1,300,000.

S. C., Charleston—SHOPPING CENTER—Curry Constr. Co., 680 King St., shopping center at The Groves near Mt. Pleasant. $500,000.

▲ Tex., Dallas—APARTMENTS—Sam Lett & Assoc., 3336 Inwood Rd., Unit 1, 40 units two-bedroom frame apartments, concrete slab fdn. off Scyene Rd. $310,000; Unit 2, 48 units two-bedroom apartments off Buckner Rd. $365,000; Unit 3, 60 apartment units 2-bedrooms, $425,000; addnl. general apartment units const. located mostly in an extens. of Piedmont Addn. $1,500,000.

▲ Tex., Daingerfield—DWELLINGS—Joe Maberry, 6440 Northport St., Dallas, (A) 40 frame cedar post concrete fdn. dwellings, $335,000; (B) 60 frame dwellings, concrete post fdn. $425,000; (C) 50 frame, cedar shake dwellings, air-conditioning, $365,000; (D) 45 frame, brick trim dwellings, concrete slab fdn. $400,000; (E) 35 masonry dwellings, air-conditioning, concrete slab fdn. $350,000; 700 dwellings, $5,287,500.

▲ Tex., Houston—DWELLINGS—Herman Kuehn & Son, 4713 E. Shepherd St., 15 frame, masonry dwellings, concrete slab fdn. $450,000; 14 frame with masonry trim dwellings, concrete slab fdn., central heating, air-conditioning, $410,000; 18 masonry dwellings, concrete slab fdn., central heating, $540,000; 10 frame, masonry dwellings, central heating, air-conditioning, $300,000; 12 masonry dwellings, concrete slab fdn., air-conditioning, central heating, 22-acre tract of 100-acre tract off Strey Lane. 10/2/52.

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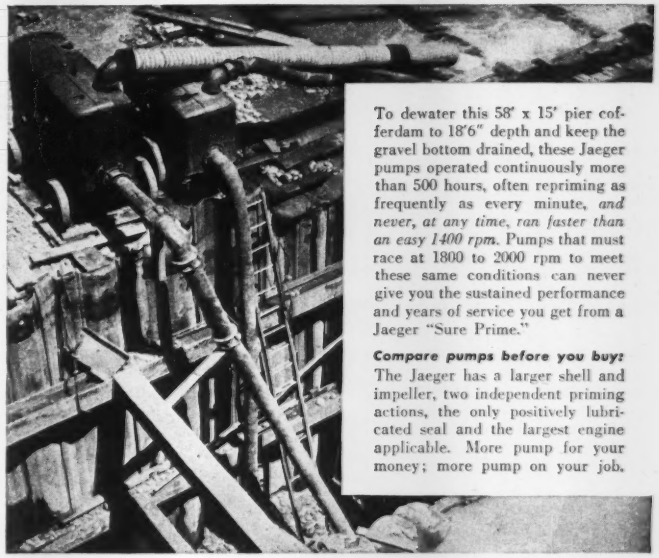

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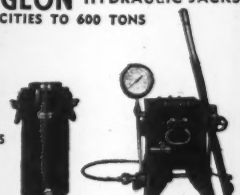

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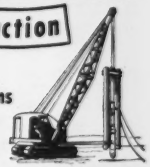

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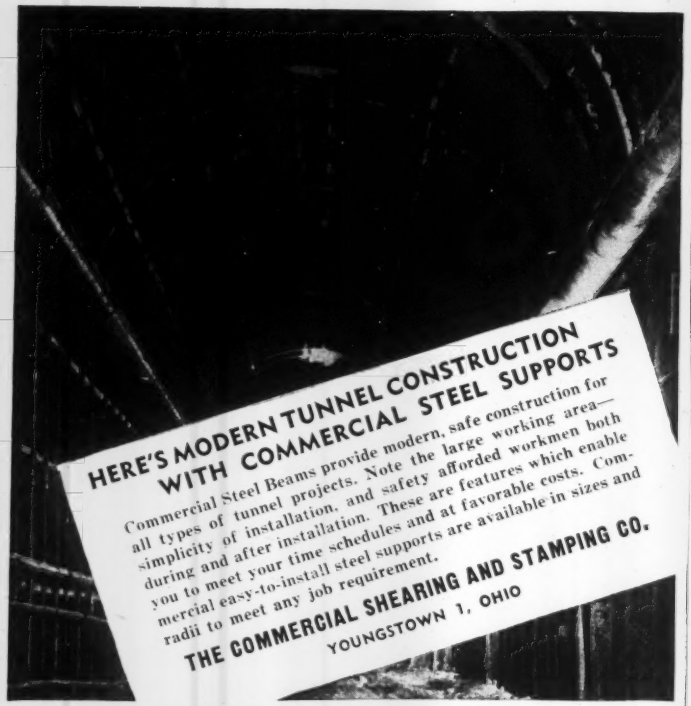
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Wash., Seattle—CHURCH—Greek Orthodox Church of St. Demetrios, Yale Ave. N. and Thomas, church. $500,000.

W. Va., Clarksburg—SCHOOL—Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church, Clarksburg, plans by Vecellio & Kreps, Odd Fellow Bldg., Charleston, W. Va., 2 story, brick, concrete parochial high school, $500,000.

INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

Calif., Los Angeles—PLANT—Maier Brewing Co., 440 Aliso St., plans by Albert Criz, 2523 W. 7 St., bottling plant and warehouse, $600,000.

Calif., Ontario—SHOPS—Lockheed Aircraft Service Corp., c/o Ontario International Airport, Ontario, plans by George Vernon Russel, 3275 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, aircraft shops and service hangar, $500,000.

▲ Ky., Henderson—MILL—Southern States & Cotton Producers Assoc., P.O. Box 2210, Atlanta, Ga., feed mill, $1,250,000.

▲ Me., Rumford—HYDRO—ELECTRIC FACILITIES—Rumford Falls Power Co., 49 Congress St., Philip Thomas, ch. engr., Rumford, re-development of hydro-electric facilities, generating plant, two 6,400 kilowatt hydro-electric units, $2,000,000, Charles T. Main, Inc., 80 Federal St., Boston, Mass., consult. engrs.

Mo., Olivette (St. Louis 5, P. O.)—PLANT—Carter Carburetor Corp., 2840 N. Spring Ave., St. Louis, Zone 7, assembly plant on 34 acre tract on spur of Rock Island R. R., west of intersection of Price and Olive St. Rds. in and adjoining Olivette, $750,000. CD 2/21/49 under St. Louis County, Mo.

▲ N. Y., Hempstead—GENERATING PLANT—Long Island Lighting Co., 250 Old Country Rd., Mineola, generating plant on Anderson's Island. $25,000,000.

Okla., Sapulpa—PLANT—Liberty Glass Co., Sapulpa, bottling plant addn. $500,000. George F. Collins, c/o owner, engr.

Tex., Bryan—PLANT—International Shoe Co., 1501 Washington Ave., St. Louis 3, Mo., shoe plant, mfg. heeling and soling materials. $750,000. CD 9/17.

Tex., Dallas—FREIGHT TERMINAL—East Texas Motor Freight Lines, 422 N. Walton St., freight terminal, $485,550.

Tex., Fort Worth—WAREHOUSE—Bell Aircraft Corp., c/o Blue Mound Rd., reconstr. warehouse. $550,000.

▲ Tex., Lone Star—GENERATING PLANT Southwestern Gas & Electric Co., Marshall, 40,000 kw electric power generating unit. $3,500,000. Sargent & Lundy, 140 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. consult. engrs. CD 8/18.

▲ Tex., Longview—GENERATING PLANT—Southwestern Gas & Electric Co., Marshall, 60,000-75,000 kw electric power generating unit at Lake Cherokee. $5,500,000. Sargent & Lundy, 140 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, Ill. consult. engrs. CD 8/18.

Wash., Tacoma—PLANT—American Biscuit & Cracker Co., 1461 Eliot Ave. W., Seattle, plans by John Graham & Co. Dexter Horton Bldg., Seattle, Zone 4, 100,000 sq. ft. cracker plant. $500,000. CD 9/3.

W. Va., Clarksburg—WAREHOUSE—Clarksburg Terminal, Inc., Clarksburg, plans by Glenn C. Hancoc, Atlas Bldg., Charleston, 120,000 sq. ft. brick, concrete, steel warehouse and siding. $400,000.

Alta., Calgary—PLANT—Crane Ltd., 1170 Beaver Hall Square, Montreal, Que., plans by Rule, Wynn & Rule, 511 Eighth Ave. W., Calgary, 50,000 sq. ft. plant. $400,000. CD 9/9.

▲ B. C., Vancouver—MILL EXPANSION—Elk Falls Co. Ltd., c/o Canadian Western Lumber Co., Ltd., 355 Burrard St., Vancouver, B. C., mill expansion, Duncay Bay. $20,000,000. Swan, Rhodes & Wooster, 718 Granville St., Vancouver, B. C., consult. engrs. CD 12/12/51.

▲ Ont., Clarkson—PLANT—National Sewer Pipe Co. Ltd., 320 Bay St., Toronto, plans by Barnett & Rieder, 644 Bayview Ave., Toronto, 150,000 sq. ft., plant. Approx. $1,500,000. Dwight B. Hendryx & Assoc., 6621 Darlington Rd., Pittsburgh, Pa., U. S. A., consult. engr.

Ont., Sarnia—PLANT—Toronto Elevator Co., Queen's Quay Toronto, plant addn., $500,000.

UNCLASSIFIED

California—FISH HATCHERY—State, Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, fish hatchery, Moccasin Creek, $442,400.

▲ Calif., San Francisco—RAILWAY IMPRVS.—City, Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, bond election Nov. 4, municipal railway imprvs., $6,620,000. CD 11/10/47.

Colorado—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—White River Electric Assn., Meeker, 81 mi. rural distr. lines, 50 mi. transmission lines, 2 substations, Blanco Co. $600,000, Flora Eng. Co., 56 and Holly Sts., Denver, consult. engrs. CD 10/4/46.

▲ Indiana—PIPE LINE—Indiana Farm Bureau Coop., Purdue-Marott Bldg., Indianapolis, oil pipeline to be run from company's refinery at Mt. Vernon to Peru, sub stations to be built at Switz City, Greene Co. and Jolietville, Hamilton Co., $5,200,000.

Ia., Des Moines—TELEVISION STATION—Mooney Broadcasting Co., 507 W. 10 St., television station, $421,000, Jansky & Bailey, National Press Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Ia., Mason City—TELEVISION STATION—Lee Radio, Inc., 121½ Second St. N.E., television station, $343,500, E. C. Page, Bond Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engr.

Ia., Sioux City—TELEVISION STATION—Cowles Broadcasting Co., Frances Bldg., television station, $307,500. Craven, Lohnes & Culver, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Ia., Sioux City—TELEVISION STATION—Siouxland Television Co., North 560 Orpheum Electric Bldg., television station, $349,500, Kear & Kennedy, 1302 18 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Kan., Topeka—TELEVISION STATION—Topeka Broadcasting Assoc. Inc., 1035 Topeka Blvd., television station, $523,000, Millard M. Garrison, 1519 Conn. Ave. N. W., Wash., D. C., consult. engr.

Kan., Wichita—TELEVISION STATION—KFH Radio Station Co., RFH Bldg., television station, $661,000, Kear & Kennedy, 1302 18 St. N. W., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Kan., Wichita—TELEVISION STATION—Wichita Beacon Broadcasting Co. Inc., 2829 Salina Ave., television station, $321,000, E. C. Page, Bond Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engr.

Kan., Wichita—TELEVISION STATION—Wichita Television Corp., Inc., Fourth National Bank Bldg., television station, $460,000, George C. Davis, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engr.

Kan., Wichita—TELEVISION STATION—WKY Radiophone Co., Box 8668 Britton Station, Oklahoma City, Okla., television station, $847,000, A. D. Ring & Co., Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Ky., Paducah—TELEVISION STATION—Columbia Amusement Co., Inc., Arcade Theater Bldg., television station, $304,000, Kear & Kennedy, 1302 18 St. N.W., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

La., Monroe—TELEVISION STATION—James A. Noe, Bernhardt Bldg., television station, $331,000, McIntosh & Inglis, Wyatt Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

La., New Orleans—TELEVISION STATION—James A. Noe, St. Charles Hotel, television station, $836,000, McIntosh & Inglis, Wyatt Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

▲ **La., New Orleans**—WHARVES—Port of New Orleans, Comrs., 2 Canal St., wharves at Charbonnet St. and Nashville Ave., $7,000,000.

La., Shreveport—TELEVISION STATION—KRMD Radio Station 901 Louisiana Ave., television station, $577,000, Commercial Radio Equipment Co., 1319 F St. N.W., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Me., Portland—TELEVISION STATION—Guy Gannett Broadcasting Services, 390 Congress St., television station, $356,500, Craven, Lohnes & Culver, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs. CD 10/19/44.

Md., Baltimore—TELEVISION STATION—Chesapeake Television Broadcasting Inc., 215 N. Calvert St., television station, $600,000, Craven, Lohnes & Culver, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Md., Cumberland — TELEVISION STATION — Western Maryland Broadcasting Co., 450 Byrd Ave., television station, $253,000, Craven, Lohnes & Culver, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Md., Hagerstown — TELEVISION STATION — United Broadcasting Co. of Western Maryland, 128 Prospect St., television station, $213,800, Commercial Radio Equipment Co., 1319 F St. N. W., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

Md., Salisbury—TELEVISION STATION—Peninsula Broadcasting Co., Radio Park, television station, $296,000, A. D. Ring & Co., Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs. CD 8/25/44.

Mass., Boston—TELEVISION STATION—Hildreth & Rogers Co., Hotel Bradford, television station, $742,500, George C. Davis, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engr.

Mass., Worcester — TELEVISION STATION—Salisbury Broadcasting Corp., 6 Norwich St., television station, $350,900, Craven, Lohnes & Culver, Munsey Bldg., Wash., D. C., consult. engrs.

▲ **Neb., Omaha**—UTILITIES—Bigger Industrial Growth Ass'n., Morris Jacobs, chn., Electric Bldg., plans by L. A. Daly Co., Insurance Bldg., industrial distr. of 28-acres in the vicinity of 72 and L Sts. incl. grading, paving, gas mains, water mains, sewer lines, trackage. $1,000,000. Henningson, Durham & Henningson, Standard Oil Bldg., Kirkham, Michaels & Assoc., 1504 Dodge St., consult. engrs.

Ohio—PIPE LINE—Ohio Fuel Gas Co., N. Front St., Columbus, 22 mi. high pressure natural gas pipe line in the Toledo-Findley-Fostoria area. Seneca and Wood counties. $850,000.

Texas—COMPRESSOR STATION, GAS LINES—Tennessee Gas Transmission Co., Commerce Bldg., Houston, 2,640 h.p. natural gas compressor station, will contrain 2 compressor units, $880,000; some short gas lines, $65,000 both in vicinity of Carthage. CD 6/6/50.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—PARK—Harris County Comrs. Court, Court House, county park, 2,000 acres, along shores of San Jacinto Reservoir. $2,000,000. CD 1/14/52.

Tex., San Antonio—ELECTRIC SIGNAL IMPRVS.—City, City Hall Military Plaza, traffic electric signal modernization imprvs. $905,000. J. L. Dickson, Ch. P. Wks. Engr. CD 12/18/51.

Tex., San Antonio—PARKS, etc.—City, City Hall, Military Plaza, extensive renovation, remodeling, expanding existing tennis courts, baseball and softball diamonds. $200,000; expans. Riverside Golf Course 9 to 18 hole, playgrounds, $125,000; 18-hole golf course in Highland Park. $175,000; 18-hole golf course in Olomos Basin, $175,000; gymnasium and recreation units, $433,000; new playgrounds, $450,000. J. L. Dickson, P. Wks. Engr. Dir. CD 12/20/51.

Virginia—PIPE LINE—Fredericksburg Natural Gas Co., Fredericksburg, 29 mi. pipe line, Culpeper and Stafford Counties. $746,690.

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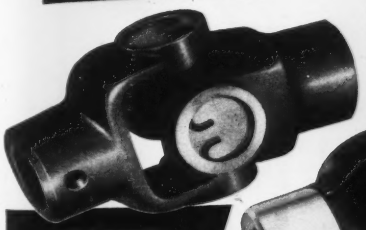

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▲ **Conn., New Britain**—HOUSING—B.A. 10/21—City Housing Auth., 16 Armistice St., moderate rental housing, Feiffer Tract. $5,839,000. Plans deposit $75. CD 12/31/51.

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Marinucci Bros. & Co., Inc., 51 Ceylon St., Boston, Mass. and **S. A. Healy Co.,** 61 Winchester Ave., White Plains, N. Y. CA $360,254, Shaft 8;
Dravo Corp., Neville Island, Pittsburgh, Pa. CA $530,633, Shaft 9, Contr. 162 A and B constr. shafts city tunnel exten. water, Boston and Somerville, BOSTON, MASS. State, Metropolitan Dist. Comm., 20 Somerset St., Boston, Mass. CD 8/5, under LB.
Associated Constr. Co., 1010 Wethersfield Ave., Hartford, Conn. CA. $930,000, field house addn., University of Connecticut, B/A-D-76-D, STORRS, CONN. State P. Wks. Comm., State Office Bldg., Hartford, Conn. Bids Sept. 3. CD 8/21.

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▲ **G. L. Rugo & Sons, Inc.,** 80 Boylston St., Boston, Mass. LB $5,592,000, est. $5,000,000. Proj. 200-11, 504 HOUSING units, Franklin Field, Dorchester, BOSTON, MASS. Boston Housing Auth., 230 Congress St., Boston, Mass. Bids Sept. 12. CD 8/20.

▲ **M. Spinelli & Sons, Inc.,** 79 Milk St., Boston, Mass. LB. $1,858,000. est. $1,800,000. 150 HOUSING units, Popes Hill Sect., Proj. PHA 2-19, Dorchester, BOSTON, MASS. Boston Housing Auth., 230 Congress St., Boston, Mass. Bids 2/21 rejected. CD 4/3, under LB.

▲ **Turner Constr. Co.,** 420 Lexington Ave., New York 17, N. Y. CA. Approx. $1,500,000. mfg. PLANT for bag-filling equip. and bag making machines on 15-acre tract, EAST PROVIDENCE, R. I. St. Regis Paper Co., 230 Park Ave., New York 17, N. Y. Alexander D. Crossett & Assoc., 27 William St., New York, 5, N. Y. engrs.

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▲ **Md., Baltimore**—COURT HOUSE—B.A. 10/8—City, Bureau Bldg. Constr., 404 Municipal Bldg., remodelling court house, Phase II, $1,500,000 Plans deposit $100. Hal A. Miller, 2118 Maryland Ave., archt. CD 10/1/51.

▲ **Pa., Clairton**—HOUSING—B.A. 10/9—Allegheny County Housing Auth., County Office, Pittsburgh, 3 story, basmnt., 130-family brick veneer apartment., 8 apartment type bldgs. $1,500,000. Plans deposit $50. Celli & Flynn, 3361/2 5th Ave., McKeesport, archts. CD 9/12/50.

N. Y., New York—HOUSING—B.A. 10/15—New York City Housing Auth., 63 Park Row, Zone 7, general constr., and foundations; heating and ventilating; electrical work; plumbing; furnishing and erecting elevators for Jefferson Houses, Proj. No. NY 5-16, Sect. I, incl. Bldgs. 1 to 6 (inclusive), as well as boiler room, coal storage garage, community center and childrens center in area bounded generally by W. 115 St., 1st St., E. 113 St., 2d Ave., Manhattan Boro. Plans deposit $75 general constr. $25. elevators. Extended date. CD 9/9.

▲† **N. J., Raritan**—WAREHOUSE—B.A. 10/22—U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York, 13, N. Y., 200x1200 ft. warehouse, at Raritan Arsenal, $2,000,000. CD 8/27.

Pa., McKees Rock—WAREHOUSE—Bids Asked—Excel Steel Service, Inc., 200 Bradley St., Pittsburgh, 1 story, brick, block warehousing. $500,000.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Stephenville Homes,** c/o Nat Matson & Stanley Wilson, archts., 171 East Post Rd., White Plains, N. Y., Owner Bldrs. $1,500,000. 57 HOUSES on tract on Ridge Rd. west of Harisdale Ave., HARTSDALE, N. Y.

▲ **George F. Driscoll Co. & Moccia Constr. Co.,** 41 E. 42 St., New York 17, N. Y. CA. $3,039,000 foundations;
Harry Starkman & Bros., 348 Brook Ave., New York 54, N. Y. CA. $933,700, heating and ventilating;
Wachtel Plumbing Co., Inc., 1345 Cromwell Ave., New York 52, N. Y. CA. $917,000 plumbing contract for Sound View HOUSES, Proj. NYS-58-1 in area bounded generally by Seward, Rosedale, Lacombe, Bronx River and Metcalf Aves., Bronx Boro, NEW YORK, N. Y. New York City Housing Auth., 63 Park Row, New York, N. Y. Grand total $4,889,700. Bids Aug. 22. CD 8/26, under LB.

▲ **Charles & Milton A. Kimmelman,** 745 Fifth Ave., New York 22, N. Y. Separate Contracts: $3,000,000. 18 story OFFICE, Fifth Ave. and 46 St. to be called 555 Fifth Ave., NEW YORK, N. Y. CD 8/20.

▲ **Ocean Crest, Inc.,** c/o Stanley Klein, archt., 89-31, 161 St., Jamaica, N. Y. Owner Builds. $2,000,000. 100 HOUSES on 60-acre site at Waukena Ave and Balsame St., OCEANSIDE, N. Y.

▲ **James Romeo & Assoc.,** 60 Washington St., Tuckahoe, N. Y. LB $1,275,000. Junior-Senior HIGH SCHOOL, Rte. 6, SHRUB OAK, N. Y. Bd. Educ., Central School Dist. 1, Towns of Yorktown, Cortland, Somers, Carmel and Putnam Valley in Shrub Oak Central School, Rt. 6, Shrub Oak, N. Y. Bids Sept. 22. CD 9/8.

▲ **Naamans Homes, Inc.,** 9561/2 N. 66 St., Philo. Pa., Separate Contracts. $1,524,000. RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, Naamans Creek Rd., CHESTER, PA. Erling Wenge, McClatchy Bldg., Philad., Pa., archt.

▲ **Consolidated Engr. Co.,** 20 E. Franklin St., Baltimore 2, Md., CA Approx. $3,000,000. 1 story, 500x600 ft. rein.-con., steel WAREHOUSE, UTILITY BLDG., corral area, BOILER HOUSE and gen., crop development, STORAGE SHED, CAMP DETRICK, MD. U. S. Eng., First and Douglas Sts. N.W., Wash. 25, D. C. CD 9/19, under LB.

▲ **John Tester & Son, Inc.,** 1620 Second St. S.W., Wash., D. C., LB $2,688,349. Wheaton Junior Senior High SCHOOL, ROCKVILLE, MD. Montgomery Co. Bd. Educ., Rockville, Md. Bids Sept. 23. CD 9/18.

SOUTH

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
October 15, Louisiana
STREETS AND ROADS
October 15, Louisiana

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ **N. C., Rocky Mount**—HOUSING—B.A. 11/20—Rocky Mount Housing Auth., City Hall, 210 housing units for Negroes. $2,000,000. CD 3/5.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

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▲† **T. A. Loving & Co.,** 706 Wachovia Bank Bldg., Charlotte, N. C., LB $1,198,800 Alt. 1; $1,188,200, Alt. 2; $1,168,200 Alt. 3; $1,151,075, Alt. 4; $1,142,425, Alt. 5, for clearing, grading pavements, outside utilities and railroad, Marine Corps Air Facility, NOY 71502, CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C. Dpt. Navy, Officer in Charge of Construction, Box 365, Naval Base, S. C. Bids Oct. 2. CD 9/11.

▲ † **Nello L. Teer Co.,** Trust Bldg., Durham, N. C., CA, $1,066,000, clearing reservoir Areas 1 and 9 Jim Woodruff Dam, Inv. 53-5, FLORIDA, U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 1169, Mobile 7, Ala. Bids Sept. 10. CD 9/18, under LB.

▲† **James F. O'Neill Co.,** 1501 S. Rendon St., New Orleans, La. LB. $831,000. Sect. 1A, LB. $816,900, Sect. 1B, refrigeration machines;
A. M. Lockett & Co., Ltd., Whitney Bldg., New Orleans, La. LB. $165,748, steam generating plants;
Marley Co., Inc., 222 W. Gregory St., Kansas City, Mo. LB. $115,705. cooling towers for dehumidification sys. at Michoud Ordnance Plant, Inv. 53-23, Michoud, NEW ORLEANS, LA. U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Tex.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **R. H. Pinnix,** Gastonia, N. C., CA. $507,284, brick, concrete masonry Clintwood HIGH SCHOOL, CA. $665,618, brick, concrete masonry Hayes School, CLINTWOOD, VA., Dickenson County School Bd., Clintwood, Va. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/3 and 8/28.
Massell Companies, 40 Pryor St. Atlanta, Ga., Owner Builds. $750,000, LAUNDRY PLANT, Glen Iris Dr., for lease to National Linen Service Corp., $125,000, WAREHOUSE, 1499 Northside Dr. N.W., ATLANTA, GA.
J. F. Holley, 905 Sixth Ave. N., Birmingham, Ala., CA. $728,300, HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM, ALA. Holy Family Hospital, c/o Pembleton & Mims, archts., Title Guarantee Bldg., Birmingham, Ala. Bids Sept. 4. CD 9/10, under LB.

▲ **M. T. Reed Constr. Co.,** 162 Millsaps Ave., Jackson, Miss. CA $20,000,000. nitro-phosphate fertilizer PLANT, PASCAGOULA, MISS. Gulf Improvement Co., c/o contractor.

▲ **Sullivan & Cozzart,** 822 W. Kentucky St., Louisville, Ky. LB. $1,145,620. general constr. HOSPITAL, Brook and Chestnut Sts., LOUISVILLE, KY. Jewish Hospital Assoc., Floyd and Kentucky Sts., Louisville,
W. F. Holt & Sons, 1531 Demonbreun St., Nashville, Tenn. LB. $824,700. Central HEATING PLANT, for State Buildings. NASHVILLE, TENN. State Bldg. Comm., State Capitol, Nashville, Tenn. Bids Sept. 16. CD 8/26.

MIDDLE WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
November 12, Indiana
STREETS AND ROADS
October 14, Wisconsin

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

Austin Co., 16112 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, O., CA Approx. $750,000. Design and construct. transmitter and 905 ft. tower for television station, WNBK, Cleveland at Broadview Rd. and Ridgewood Dr., PARMA, O. National Broadcasting Co. Inc., 30 Rockefeller Plaza, N. Y.

▲ **WISCONSIN**—State Hy. Comm., Madison,
Industrial Contg. Co., 3050 4 Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minn., LB, $502,020, Contract 1, Option "A", c. conc., bridge substructure, Kimberly-Little Chute-Combined Locks (Fox River Bridge and approaches) 0.986 mi. C. T. Hy. N, S-9734 (1) (2), LB, $594,946, Contract 1, Option "B" bridge superstructure on same as above;
McMullen & Pitz Constr. Co., Manitowoc, Wis., LB, $972,299, Contract 1, Option "C", c. conc. and bridge same as above;
Eric Bolander Constr. Co., Libertyville, Ill., LB, $72,724, Contract 1, structure and approaches C. T. H. "A", North County Line Road, S. T. Hy. 38, 0.085 mi. Proj. T 047-L (4) Racine Co. Bids Sept. 23. CD 9/9.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

Johnson, Drake & Piper, 1138 Baker Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn., CA, $769,979, general contract LIBRARY and TRAINING SCHOOL, Wisconsin State College, PLATTEVILLE, WIS. State Bd. Regents of State College, E. R. McPhee, dir., Madison, Wis. Bids Aug. 15. CD 9/10, under LB.

▲ **Plymouth Hills Development Co.,** Plymouth, Mich. Owner Builds. Est. $1,000,000. 52 brick ranch HOUSES, PLYMOUTH, MICH. Warner & Warner, 819 Farwell Bldg., Detroit, Mich. engrs.

WEST OF MISSISSIPPI

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
October 7, Iowa October 14, Wisconsin
STREETS AND ROADS
October 7, Iowa October 10, Minnesota

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ **Kan., Manhattan**—STUDENT UNION—B.A. 10/15—State Bd. Regents, Kansas State College, c/o Oscar Stauffer, chn., and Ed. Buge, state bus. mgr., State House, student union bldg. $1,500,000. John Brown, state archt. CD 8/5/52.

▲ **Tex., Corpus Christi**—HOUSING—B.A. 10/22—U. S. Govt., P. Wks. Office, Civil Engineer, 8th Naval Dist., Bldg. 16, New Orleans, La., construct, manage, finance 340 housing units, NOY 24063. $2,650,000. Extended date. CD 9/17.

▲ **Tex., Angleton**—PLANT—Bids Asked—Southern Producing Co., Inc., 1612 Fairfield St., Shreveport, La., and Humble Oil & Refining Co. Humble Bldg., Houston, gasoline production plant, 150 m. cu. ft. daily processing capacity. $2,100,000. CD 9/15.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **H. B. Zachary Co.,** P. O. Box 2570, San Antonio, Tex. CA. Approx. $2,000,000. gas line from point near Provident City, TEXAS to Castor, LOUISIANA. Texas Eastern Transmission Corp., Texas Eastern Bldg., Shreveport, La. CD 8/13.

▲ **Brown & Root, Inc.,** 439 E. 13 St., Brownsville, Tex., LB $738,265, hot mix asph. street paving, Units 1 through 46; $728,794, Units 47 through 94, BROWNSVILLE, TEX. City, Brownsville, Tex. Bids Sept. 11. CD 8/14.

BUILDINGS

LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Weller Bros. Constr. Co.,** Paradise, Kan. CA Total $3,000,000. 3 story, 15,000 kw POWER PLANT, on 80 acre tract, GREAT BEND, KAN. Western Light & Telephone Co., 2015 Forest Ave., Great Bend, Kan. Bids Aug. 15, awarded Sept. 13. CD 8/12.

▲ **Girdler Corp.**, 224 E. Broadway, Louisville, Ky., and **Foster Wheeler Corp.**, 165 Broadway, New York, N. Y., CA. Est. **$16,000,000**, design and construct nitrogen fertilizer PLANT, LAWRENCE, KAN. Consumers Co-operative Assn., 318 E. 10 St., Kansas City, Mo. CD 11/23/51.

▲† **H. B. Nicholson**, 880 E. Colorado St., Pasadena, Calif., LB. **$1,544,000**, 38 ammunition MAGAZINES, Spec. 34745, McALESTER, OKLA., U. S. Govt., Officer in Charge of Construction, 8th Naval Dist., Bldg. 16, Naval Station, New Orleans, La. Bids Sept. 18. CD 8/27.

▲ **W. P. Atkinson**, Plaza Bldg., Midwest City, Okla., Purchase and Hire. Approx. **$4,000,000**. 125 ranch type HOMES, MIDWEST CITY, OKLA. Treat Eng. Co., Plaza Court, Oklahoma City, Okla., engr.

▲ **Dickason-Goodman Lumber Co.**, 923 E. 3 St., Tulsa, Okla. Purchase and Hire. **$1,500,000**. 150 RESIDENCES, W. Edison and Union Aves., TULSA, OKLA. J. O. Conner, 923 E. 3 St., Tulsa, Okla., archt.

▲ **Noser Constr. Co.**, McAllen, Tex., CA **$1,264,000**. Multiple story COURT HOUSE, EDINBURG, TEX. Hidalgo Co., Edinburg, Tex. Bids Sept. 15. CD 9/22, under LB.

▲ **T. C. Bateson Constr. Co.**, 618 Irwin-Keasler Bldg., Dallas, Tex., CA **$1,397,800**, superstructure for 254 DWELLING units for thirty-four 2-story bldgs., Tex. 17-4, GALVESTON, TEX. Galveston Housing Auth., Galveston, Tex. Bids Aug. 28. CD 9/3, under LB.

Texas Gulf Constr. Co.; Inc., 2008 S. Wayside St., Houston, Tex., CA. Approx. **$871,000**. 121x563 ft., steel, rein.-con., newsprint STORAGE or WAREHOUSE, outside utilities, HOUSTON, TEX. Houston Chronicle, Chronicle Bldg., Houston, Tex. Bids Sept. 18. CD 9/16.

▲ **Robert E. Nesmith**, 6738 Long Dr., Houston, Tex., CA. **$1,195,389**, STUDENT UNION, MEN'S DORMITORY, WOMEN'S DORMITORY, HOUSTON, TEX. Texas Southern University, 3201 Wheeler St., Houston, Tex., Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/22, under LB.

▲**BMFP Constr. Co.**, Lubbock, Tex., CA **$1,441,600** 20 story bsmt. OFFICE, LUBBOCK, TEX. Great Plains Insurance Co., 2347 19th St., Lubbock, Tex. Bids Sept. 15. CD 9/22. under LB.

O. G. Bradbury, 1217 N. 1st. St., Albuquerque, N. M. CA. Approx. **$875,000**. 3 story HOTEL, incl. swimming pool, sundeck, balconies, etc., ALBUQUERQUE, N. M. Leo F. Corrigan Interests, Mercantile Bank Bldg., Dallas, Tex. CD 11/20/51.

▲† **Robert E. McKee**, 485 S. Wyoming Ave., Albuquerque, N. M. CA **$1,853,700**, 80 MAGAZINES, 4 bldgs., Wingate Ordnance Depot, Eng 29-005-53-2, WINGATE, N. M. U. S. Eng., Box 1538, Albuquerque, N. M. Bids Sept. 16. CD 9/22, under LB.

FAR WEST

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS
BRIDGES
October 15, 16 California
STREETS AND ROADS
October 15, California

▲† **Calif., March Air Force Base**—OPERATIONS BLDG. B.A. 10/15—U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles U. S. A. F. security operations bldg., Eng.-04-353-53-27 $1,000,000. Plans deposit $25. CD 5/21/51.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—HOUSING—B.A. 10/14—Housing Auth. of Los Angeles, 14 to 10 E. First St., frame, stucco Pueblo Del Rio low-rent housing, Project Cal 4-15 $1,000,000. T. Criley. Jr., 510 W. 6 St., Los Angeles, and H. C. Burge, 510 Knight Way, La Canada, archts. CD 9/18/50.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
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▲ **WASHINGTON**—State Hy. Dpt., Olympia,
Morrison-Knudsen Co., Inc., 314 Broadway, Boise, Idaho, CA, **$2,384,061**, Battery St. subway section of Alaskan Way Viaduct in Seattle, King Co. Bids Sept. 16, awarded Sept. 17. CD 9/19, under LB.

▲ † **Bennett Campbell, Inc.**, Seaboard Bldg., Seattle 1, Wash., CA, **$1,196,611**, Schedule B;
Seneca Constr. Co., 2823 Martin St., Spokane, Wash., CA, **$115,568**, Schedule C, bachelor officers' quarters bldg., 4 airmen's dormitories, mess and administration bldg., etc. Fairchild Air Force Base, Inv. 53-2, SPOKANE, WASH. U. S. Eng., City-County Airport, Walla Walla, Wash. Bids Aug. 28. CD 9/3, under LB.

▲ † **Teichert & Son, Inc.** and **Bressi & Bevanda**, Box 397, Baldwin Park, Calif., LB, **$3,747,319**, San Gabriel River Improvement, Whittier Narrows Flood Control, etc. ENG 04-353-53-5, CALIFORNIA. U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Calif. Bids Sept. 18. CD 8/27.

▲ **CALIFORNIA**—State Div. Hys., P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento,
McCammon-Wunderlich Co. & C. K. Moseman, P. O. Box 1023 Palo Alto, Calif., LB, **$1,447,396**, grading 7.5 mi. rein.-con. bridge between 2 mi. east of Redmond Overhead and Corral Hollow Rd., Alameda and San Joaquin Counties. Bids Sept. 17. CD 8/25.

† **San Francisco Bridge Co.**, 503 Market St., San Francisco, Calif., LB, **$839,300**, seawall and dredge, extend runway 13-31 at U. S. Naval Air Station, NOY 75173, Spec. 35369, ALAMEDA, CALIF. Twelfth Naval Dist., San Bruno, Calif. Bids Sept. 17. CD 9/8.

BUILDINGS
LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Hadley-Cherry**, 8754 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif., CA, **$1,336,320**, 175 frame, stucco DWELLINGS, on Manning, O'Malley and Murray Aves. in tracts 18318, AZUSA, CALIF. Cerritos Park Homes, 8754 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

CANADA

BIDS ASKED—HEAVY CONSTRUCTION

▲ **Ont., Toronto**—ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FORCE BLDG. —B.A. 10/7—Defence Constr. Ltd., 441 Queen's Quay W., 3 story L-shaped, concrete, brick, stone Royal Canadian Air Force Bldg. $1,500,000. Plans deposit $100. Extended date. R. P. Opie, c/o owner, regional engr. Marani & Morris, 1250 Bay St., archts. CD 9/4.

BIDS ASKED—BUILDINGS

▲ **Ont., Port Arthur**—HOSPITAL IMPRVS.—B.A. 10/21 —Dpt. P. Wks., Parliament Bldgs., Toronto, pavilions and connecting passages, and laundry bldg. at mental hospital, N. Algoma St. $1,000,000. G. N. Williams, c/o owner, deputy minister and ch. archt. CD 2/23/50.

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Rayner-Atlas Ltd.**, 275 Huron St., Toronto, Ont., and **Perini, Pitts, Walsh & Assocs.**, 38 Commercial Bd., Toronto, Ont., CA, **$118,000,000**, second 5½ mi. power tunnel 45 ft. inside diam., for electric power development;
Horton Steel Works Ltd., 40 Jennet St., Fort Erie, Ont., CA, **$2,000,000**, steel work on 5 penstocks for new hydro-electric power development addn., Niagara Falls, ONTARIO. Hydro-Electric Power Comm. of Ontario, 620 University Ave., Toronto, Ont. Bids Sept. 2, awarded Sept. 19. CD 8/22.
Fabi & Fils Ltd. 150 Belmont St., Sherbrooke, Que., CA, **$495,522**, bridge sub-structure;
MacKinnon Structural Steel Co. Ltd., 7 Industrial St., Sherbrooke, Que., CA, **$626,940**, steel superstructure, 1,224 ft., rein.-con., structural steel bridge 36 ft. roadway, two 5 ft. sidewalks, over Magog River, at Jacques Cartier St., SHERBROOKE, QUE. Municipality, City Hall, Sherbrooke, Que. Bids Sept. 15. CD 8/28.

BUILDINGS
LOW BIDS AND CONTRACTS

▲ **Standard Constr. Co.**, 101 Upper Water St., Halifax, N. S., CA, **$1,397,249**, 161 HOUSING units, in 53 buildings, Proj. F.P. 1/52, HALIFAX, N. S. Central Mortgage & Housing Corp., 1032 Gottingen St., Halifax, N. S. Bids Aug. 20. CD 9/22, under LB.

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UNIT PRICES

Overpass, Louisiana

A $4.2-million overpass structure and approaches, under way by the Louisiana Department of Highways, will span the Union Passenger Terminal tracks in New Orleans. This 0.781-mi project has two 40-ft roadways on one end and two 28-ft roadways on the other, with roadway center portion varying and situated partly on a grade and vertical curve and partly on a horizontal curve and superelevated.

Work includes timber pile foundation, concrete footings, concrete and steel bents, steel spans, concrete deck, aluminum handrail, electrical work, deck drainage, and miscellaneous paving and utilities. The mercury vapor lighting consists of furnishing, erecting and wiring a complete system including the incandescent lights in the end castings and connecting same to feed points established by the New Orleans Public Service Company.

Traffic is to be maintained at all times during the period of construction.

The estimated daily volume of traffic is 30,000 vehicles.

J. A. Kinkead is the project control engineer.

Work began in July and must be complete in 480 days.

Bidders include:

1C Farnsworth & Chambers Co Inc, Houston	$4,228,031
2 Boh Bros Constr Co, New Orleans	4,233,527

Bids: 5-7-52 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1 C	2
Clearing	ls	1	$8,000	$100
Grubbing	ls	1	7,500	250
Common excavation	cy	15,000	$1.50	$1.00
Structural excavation	cy	36,470	4.50	1.50
Subgrade treatment, 12"	sy	12,250	0.75	0.91
18"	sy	32,142	1.10	1.36
PCC pavement, 8" uniform	sy	31,910	3.82¹	4.61²
6" uniform	sy	12,481	3.52¹	3.96²
4" uniform	sy	9,241	2.64¹	2.93²
Poured fill, asph mineral	t	2	45.00	100.00
Tie bar assembly	lf	17,190	0.75	0.12
Concrete, class A	cy	19,846	48.00	54.00
Deformed reinf steel	lb	2,439,742	0.12	0.098
Fabric reinforcement	lb	222,737	0.10	0.096
Fabricated carbon stl	lb	9,368,298	0.141	0.1572
silicon stl	lb	1,166,256	0.156	0.1918
Relaying drain pipe	lf	30	5.00	10.00
Untreat timber piles	lf	395,100	1.26	1.00
Unloaded test piles, 85'	ea	18	500.00	600.00
Loading test piles	ea	18	$2,500	200.00
ROW markers, conc postsea		60	$7.50	5.00
Integral conc curb, bar typ.	lf	7,122	2.25	0.60
conc lip curb	lf	7,168	1.50	0.64
Catch basins	ea	6	150.00	430.00
Adjust cat bas, inlets, pipe, junc & manholes	ea	26	40.00	35.00
PCC walk, 4" thick	sy	2,755	3.50	3.21
Removing old pavement	sy	34,805	1.70	1.42
old walk	sy	7,784	0.40	0.50
old curb	lf	13,210	0.20	0.25
CI water pipe, 6"	lf	120	3.90	7.00
12"	lf	520	8.50	10.20
30"	lf	1,476	60.00	39.70
CI pipe for rdway dr, 5"	lf	6,150	4.00	6.25
Aluminum pipe handrail on structure	lf	13,007	6.00	7.04
on wall & stairways	lf	201	35.00	41.24
Circ stl protected curb	lf	1,626	3.75	3.00
Mercury vapor lighting	ls	1	$32,375	$35,885
Wire & cond from feed point to str	lf	1,000	$3.50	$2.85
Service manholes	ea	8	105.00	205.00
Ventilators	ea	18	100.00	111.00
Manholes in structures	ea	7	200.00	206.00
Additional spec castings	t	1	475.00	700.00
Valve box for 30" water main	ea	1	$2,150	$3,000
12" water main	ea	3	$18.00	$32.00
6" water main	ea	2	18.00	25.00
Water valve, 30"	ea	1	$3,000	$3,000
12"	ea	2	335	318
6"	ea	1	115	121
Removal of catch basins	ea	19	$55.00	$35.00
New catch basins	ea	16	185.00	140.00
Drainage manholes, 6'-8'	ea	16	165.00	240.00
8'-10'	ea	4	210.00	300.00
10'-12'	ea	13	260.00	375.00
Manholes with grating cov	ea	9	170.00	160.00
Sanitary sewer manholes 10'-12'	ea	4	260.00	325.00
Fndn lumber, sewer pipe	Mfbm	20,000	85.00	90.00
Sand backfilling	cy	3,000	2.00	2.00
Shell bedding, f sewer pipecy		300	3.60	3.75
Shell surfacing	cy	600	3.60	3.50
PCC pavement, 8" uniform	sy	1,000	7.25	6.00
Bituminous base course	t	50	9.00	9.00
leveling course	t	50	9.00	9.00
Constr temp wooden stairs	ls	1	$1,250	$1,510
Conc drain pipe, 6"	lf	80	$1.50	$1.50
Conc drain pipe, 10"	lf	1,122	2.00	2.50
12"	lf	230	2.25	3.50
15"	lf	125	2.75	4.00
RC drain pipe, 18"	lf	30	4.00	5.35
21"	lf	440	4.50	5.75
24"	lf	955	6.75	7.25
27"	lf	500	8.00	9.00
30"	lf	990	9.50	11.50
36"	lf	750	12.50	14.50
Exc for drain pipe	cy	6,750	1.90	0.75
Vitr clay sewer pipe, 6"	lf	40	2.00	2.00
8", 0-12'	lf	50	4.00	7.40
8", 12'-18'	lf	580	5.50	9.90
CI pipe sewer, 8"	lf	75	7.50	12.75
Extra exc to 12'	cy	200	3.00	1.00
to remove stumps	cy	25	7.00	2.00
House drain cleanouts	ea	8	45.00	18.00
Reloc. & adjus exist fire hydrants	ea	8	50.00	100.00
New 3300 volt S & WB cable	lf	800	9.00	10.50
Progress signs	ea	2	100.00	150.00

Highway, South Dakota

A South Dakota Highway project on U.S. 16 brought close bidding—the two low bids were less than 1% apart. The highest of the ten bids was only 14% above the low bid.

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H. C. Rempfer, of Pierre, is the state highway engineer; Thor Soleglad, assistant.

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Contractor supplies all material.

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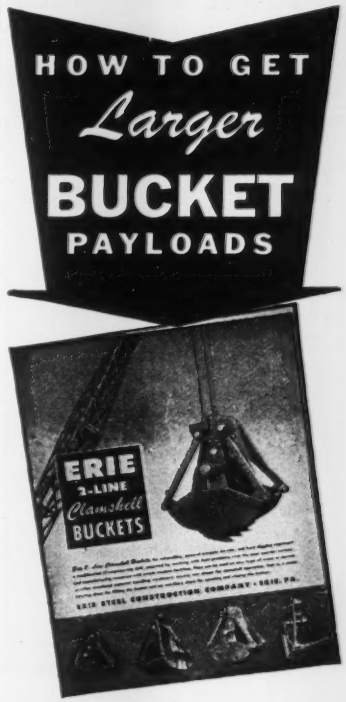
Bidders include:

1C Summit Constr Co, Rapid City, S D	$314,388
2 C. H. Linn Constr Co, Rapid City, S D	315,047
10 The Haggart Const Co, Fargo, N D	387,414

Bids: 4-18-52 Items	Unit	Quantity	Unit Prices 1 C	2
Exc, unclassified	cy	2,259	$1.00	$0.35
Water for compaction	M gal	33	3.00	3.00
Stab grav surf, shoulders	t	7,006	2.691	2.16
Cr grav surf, base	t	1,125	2.50	2.12
Primer liq asph base	gal	1,218	0.20	0.16
Liq bitumen, tack coat	gal	39,387	0.16	0.16
Liq bitumen for mat	gal	804,608	0.16	0.14
Flush seal bitumen	gal	18,932	0.17	0.20
Plant mixed in aggr	t	42,731	4.30	4.72
RC pipe, 36" flared end section	ea	1	130.00	25.00



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GWILYM A. PRICE, president of Westinghouse, tells why the problem of plant location is "overwhelmingly complex." The company, now in the midst of a $296-million expansion program, will be adding 20 more plants in at least 13 states.

Decisions must be made on basic needs, such as labor supply, site cost, raw materials, and product distribution.

"Selecting a plant location is similar to a sea captain's iceberg problem."

Westinghouse seeks places to spend construction money

Why does a company build an industrial plant in Columbus, Ohio, instead of Denver, Colorado, or Boston, Massachusetts? What are the factors that lead a company to spend its construction money in one city instead of another? Last week, Gwilym A. Price, president of Westinghouse Electric Corp., which is in the middle of a $296-million expansion program, told how the big utility answers these questions.

Westinghouse has an ambitious construction program. Now nine months old, the expansion program will run through 1953. It will involve 20 additional plants which will cost about $176 million.

The 20 new factories will be located in at least 13 states from New York to Texas. Many of the sites remain to be chosen. Most will produce defense goods in the beginning, but all are permanent and will be converted to manufacture of civilian products as soon as the defense program permits.

Behind this expansion is one of the nation's largest concerns with 125,000 employees and a payroll last year of $472 million. The reason for the current expansion is pointed up in the company's sales figures. Its sales have expanded from $270 million in 1940 to $1.2 billion in 1951.

Typical of the plants going up in the Westinghouse program is the one at Columbus, Ohio, where steel erection is now under way. This plant was delayed three months by the recent steel strike. Now steel erection crews are racing to meet the completion deadline. When finished, the plant will make assemblies for jet engines. Eventually, it will produce electric refrigerators.

The Columbus plant, located on a 350-acre site, will cover more than 2,000,000 sq ft of floor space. The factory will be two stories high and the office building section will be three stories. The building was designed and is being built by Ebasco Services, Inc., of New York.

Vice-president J. H. Ashbaugh, of Westinghouse, said Columbus was chosen as the site "because of its excellent municipal and transportation facilities as well as the ability of the public utilities to provide needed services for the manufacturing needs of the new plant."

• **Where they build**—Other Westinghouse officials described in some detail how the company selects suitable sites for new plants—and what insures a new construction job for a community.

Gwilym A. Price, president of Westinghouse, analyzed the problem this way:

"The problem of location may appear overwhelmingly complex—and it is. There are 4,270 communities of 2,500 population or more in the United States. They have 226,000 miles of railroads along which plants could be located and 300,000 miles of regular truck lines.

"However, the number of possible locations quickly diminishes when the specific needs of the operation are analyzed. For example, to test our new air-arm division's products, a modern airport with extra-long runways was a must. This immediately

reduced the number of possible sites.

"In locating a new television plant, the search was reduced to television broadcasting areas. Our electronic tube plants required water of specific analysis. Sheet steel supplies were vital to the location of a new appliance plant.

"Once such special factors have been considered, however, the selection is based on a number of economic and social conditions. The more important of these might include raw materials, transportation, labor availability, amount of land and its cost, utility services, location in regard to distribution of the product, taxation, housing, climate, and the attitude of the community toward business.

"Although this seems like a long list, it is really only a small portion of the outline prepared to aid Westinghouse division managers in selecting a new plant site. As a matter of fact, a new consideration has been added just recently. That is the need to spread out defense plants for security reasons."

• **Must meet basic needs**—An actual report on a city recently under consideration for a new plant illustrates the points made by Price. The city was listed as "very desirable" for the following reasons:

Labor supply was several times more than was required. Labor wage rates were fair and turnover was low. Satisfactory sites on highways and railroads were available at reasonable prices. The city was large enough to soften the impact of change for supervisors' families who would have to move to the new location.

School and church facilities were adequate, as were shops and stores. The county was free of debt, indicating a stable tax rate. Water, gas, sewerage, and railroad facilities were available at the property line. Interstate trucking was available. The community had vocational schools which could participate in training programs. The city had a definite plan for attracting new industry and it genuinely wanted Westinghouse as an industrial neighbor.

Westinghouse said this location was unusual because it offered so many advantages in addition to basic needs. A site is nearly always ruled out by Westinghouse if even one basic factor is missing.

The company officials have a number of stories which illustrate the pitfalls field teams encounter.

In one case, after a favorable preliminary investigation, the field team returned to the town. Checking into a hotel near the proposed site, the first thing the team noticed in the hotel lobby was a large sign which said, "Water shortage! Waste Not, Want Not!"

One chamber of commerce offered Westinghouse a 200-acre site which featured a large, deep gravel pit, located in the center of the tract. Westinghouse men protested. When they did, the chamber of commerce suggested that the gravel pit could be used as a water storage pool. But Westinghouse did not want to build a manufacturing plant in the shape of a railroad roundhouse—and that site was rejected.

Another site was crossed by a large stream. Local boosters admitted the ground was flooded during high water, but they pointed out that the company could build dikes to keep out the flood waters.

Other chambers of commerce are frank, and even go out of their way to point to disadvantages. In the Midwest, a chamber of commerce official told the investigating team that the labor supply was insufficient and would be further depleted by reactivation of a large military base—a fact only he knew.

• **The "iceberg" problem**—"In some ways," Price said, "this problem of selecting a new plant location is quite similar to a sea captain's problem with an iceberg. He doesn't worry as much about the part of an iceberg he can see as he does about the underwater portion that can stave in the hull and sink the ship.

"On the surface, a number of considerations are immediately evident; but finding the right answers to even the most obvious requirements—and exploring other influences less immediately apparent, is quite a job."

In a national company, according to Price, there is no one man or even a single group of men deciding where new plants shall be located.

Westinghouse policy is to operate each manufacturing division as a self-contained company. That leaves the final decision on a new plant up to the division manager. Plant selection is a vital factor in the success of his enterprise and he and his aides know more about their operation and specific problems than anyone else.

However, the division manager has access to outside consulting services, headquarters specialists and others who can advise him. The company also has a planning committee composed of headquarters executives. This committee acts as an advisory board.

• **Community cooperation** — Sometimes, the company finds that community or company action—or both—can correct a minor disadvantage standing in the way of a town getting a new Westinghouse plant.

In Sharon, Pa., home of the firm's main transformer plant, hotel facilities were totally inadequate. So the company cooperated with local business leaders, formed a corporation and built a hotel.

After the hotel was constructed, most of the Westinghouse stock in the hotel was turned over to a local hospital. The firm kept just enough stock to make sure it could get a room when it wanted one, a Westinghouse official commented wryly.

Price said states and cities, which spend millions each year to attract new industries, often fail to realize that improper location of a plant can harm both community and company.

In explanation he said that too-rapid influx of new industry can harm a community by out-distancing regular community services. Too many industries of the same kind also can work to the disadvantage of a town.

Price analyzed the problem of labor supply and then took up another subject which has become increasingly important in selection of new plant sites—taxes.

"It is obvious," Price declared, "that direct taxes on business become an element of the cost—and, of course, price—of products sold to the consumer. The manufacturer in one state who has lower taxes gains a definite advantage over a competitor in another state who pays higher taxes. Therefore, taxes cannot be overlooked when new plants are being considered.

"When studying the tax situation, perhaps the thing a company fears most is instability. Even if the tax picture is favorable at the moment, there are often straws in the wind that indicate trouble ahead."

• **Rising taxes in the South**—"Several southern states offer examples of possible instability which may lead to higher taxes," Price said. "These are states which face quite a job in building up their educational systems. Because such a large share of tax revenue must go for schools, taxes may be expected to rise more sharply in those particular areas. Before locating a

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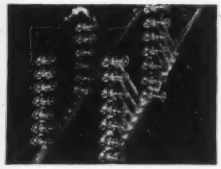

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new plant in such a region a company must weigh that future possibility."

West Virginia offers an example of a state with an unfavorable tax law, Price said. The law he mentioned is a gross sales tax on the value of all products manufactured in West Virginia. The state does not permit the manufacturer to deduct the value of component parts which are parts which are shipped in from another state for assembly.

Price said Pennsylvania and Massachusetts have tax structures which discriminate against one class of taxpayers.

But taxes are not a primary consideration, Price said. Only after several possible sites are chosen does the matter of taxes receive serious study, he said.

"But an unfavorable tax picture can definitely sway the balance between two sites equal from other standpoints," Price stated.

• **Where to get site information**—Another Westinghouse executive, G. E. Garnhart, manager of the real estate and insurance division, said chambers of commerce are among the best sources of information on new plant sites.

Generally, they are able salesmen for their community. But Garnhart said that often Westinghouse finds it impossible to locate a suitable site in a community which would otherwise be ideal.

"Usually, the trouble can be traced to lack of organized planning for local industrial development," Garnhart said. "So often we find that the most attractive industrial sites are cluttered up with a few substantial homes or commercial establishments which make the cost of sites prohibitive compared with alternative sites elsewhere."

Garnhart recommended that alert promotion groups should carefully survey all potential industrial sites and prepare topographical survey maps and aerial photographs which clearly indicate the amount and character of the available land.

"On such survey maps," Garnhart said, "it is important to indicate location and size of the nearest water, gas and electric lines, sewers, etc."

Westinghouse has adopted the policy of buying initially at least 5 to 10 times as much land as the original plant will occupy.

"Since all new plants are being located in suburban or rural sections, the present cost of such extra land is only a small fraction of what it would cost several years after the plant has been established."

Public housing bond costs worry PHA

A total of 73 housing authorities in 23 states last week sold new issues of bonds totaling $170.7 million. Within a few days, most of the issues had been sold. But, in Washington, the Public Housing Administration cast a worried glance at the sale.

PHA's troubled air was easily explained. The new issues, maturing over 40 years, and completely backed by the federal government, carried an average interest rate of 2.57%. This compared with an average interest cost of 1.96% in the last big sale of public housing bonds, held in January.

Conceding that the higher rate was "fair" because of present unfavorable market conditions, PHA warned that unless there is a marked reduction in market yields for the housing bonds in coming months, there is not likely to be another sale this year.

The successful bidder on the bonds was a syndicate which has bid in more than 80% of the housing bonds in past sales. This time, it captured all of the awards. The syndicate was headed by Blyth & Co., Phelps, Finn & Co., and Lehman Brothers. Other managers of the syndicate were Smith, Barney & Co.; Shields & Co.; First Boston Corp.; Goldman, Sachs, & Co.; Harriman Ripley & Co., Inc., and R. W. Pressprich & Co.

Last week's sale extended the permanent financing of the federally backed public housing program beyond the $600-million mark.

• **Dallas proposes record issue**—Other bond news last week came out of Dallas, Tex., where the Dallas Independent School District proposed a record-high $24.8-million bond issue to finance a major expansion program.

Voters will decide on the issue in a special ballot Oct. 18. The new issue would be substantially higher than the $16.5-million program approved in 1949 and now virtually completed.

School officials said the new issue would cover school housing projects to be started or planned during the next two years.

The 1949 program, covering a three-year span, was offered to the voters on the condition that costs would not exceed 73 cents a cubic foot. With the outbreak of the Korean war, however, costs spurted to as high as 94 cents a cubic foot. As a result, the new bond issue is based on costs of $1 a cubic foot.

• **Cities warned**—In another development, the Municipal Finance Officers Assn. noted that municipal bond sales hit a record high during the first six months of 1952, and cautioned cities to "exercise restraint in municipal capital improvement programs."

Total municipal bond sales for the first six months reached $2.5 billion, compared with total sales of $1.5 billion during the similar period in 1951, and $2 billion for the similar period in 1950.

The association recommended that "new debts incurred by cities be created only for essential projects which have been designed and for which construction will proceed." Current borrowings, the association advised, should be kept to a minimum.

ENR Cost Indexes correction

ENR cost index values for 1950 in the table which appeared top of page 80, ENR Sept. 4, 1952, should have read as follows:

	Construction Cost	Building Cost
October	535.6	397.4
November	529.2	390.2
December	530.0	391.4
1950 Average ..	509.4	375.5

Indiana calls for bids on $4-million toll bridge

Indiana's State Toll Bridge Commission announced last week that construction bids on a $4-million toll bridge across the Ohio River at Lawrenceburg will be received Nov. 12.

This will be the first toll bridge ever built by the Indiana state government. The span will be financed by a revenue bond issue to be retired over a 25-year period by receipts from toll charges. Bids on the revenue bonds are scheduled to be received Nov. 21.

The bridge, which will be known as the Indiana-Kentucky Memorial Bridge, will be erected at the southeastern edge of Lawrenceburg and will connect with Indiana Routes 48 and 1, and U. S. 50 in Indiana, and with Kentucky 20 in Kentucky.

Indiana Highway Department officials said the structure will be a steel arch bridge of three spans and will measure 3,825 ft from bank to bank. It will carry two lines of traffic. Approaches to the bridge will be built by both Indiana and Kentucky.

Meanwhile, the Indiana commission announced that plans are progressing on another toll bridge which will be built across the Wabash River directly east of Mount Vernon. It will connect Indiana 762 and Illinois 141.

Activity This Week

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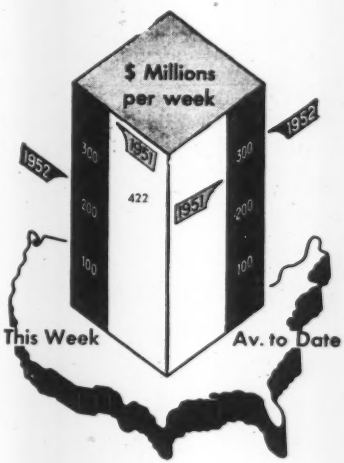

Contracts by type of work

	This Week	Cumulative 40 wks 1952	1951	% chge
Waterworks .	$3.3	$172.6	$164.3	+5
Sewerage ...	3.6	225.3	259.9	−13
Bridges	11.8	302.1	264.1	+14
Highways ..	17.0	1,181.0	940.6	+26
Earthwork, waterways .	3.4	381.6	427.7	−11
Buildings:				
Public	24.5	3,803.2	1,745.5	+118
Housg., pub.	16.7	524.3	560.6	−6
Housg., priv.	54.5	2,333.2	1,509.3	+55
Commercial	9.0	479.5	509.9	−6
Industrial..	66.8	2,069.5	3,372.9	−39
Unclassified.	23.7	1,018.0	1,391.6	−27
Total	**$234.3**	**$12,490.3**	**$11,146.4**	**+12**

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterway projects, $34,000; other public works, $60,000; industrial buildings, $82,000; other buildings, $300,000.

ENR indexes		Base Year = 100 1913	1926	1949
Constr. cost.	Sept.	586.08*	281.75*	122.86*
	Aug.	583.69	280.58	122.36
Bldg. cost.	Sept.	424.40*	229.42*	120.64*
	Aug.	422.36	228.32	120.06
Volume	Aug.	1,082	440	313

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Bids: October 23, 1952

Water Pumping Plant

LOW LIFT STRUCTURE
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DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY
CITY OF DETROIT, MICHIGAN
CONTRACT NO. NE-3

Sealed proposals for the construction of the Low Lift Structure for the Northeast Station, at 11000 East Eight Mile Road, will be received by the Board of Water Commissioners of the city of Detroit. Proposals shall be addressed to the Board of Water Commissioners, City of Detroit, Room 506 Water Building, 735 Randolph Street, Detroit 26, Michigan, and shall be endorsed "Proposal for Contract No. NE-3". Proposals will be received until 10:00 A.M. Eastern Standard Time, October 23, 1952, at which time they will be opened and read aloud in the Board Room, Fifth Floor, Water Board Building, 735 Randolph Street, Detroit 26, Michigan.

Included in the work is the completion of the construction of the substructure and the construction of the complete superstructure of the Low Lift Plant of the Northeast Station within and upon an existing foundation which was constructed as an open caisson. The existing caisson is of reinforced concrete construction, circular in plan, 94 feet in outside diameter with walls 8 feet thick, is approximately 110 feet in depth below Elevation 130 and rests on material classified as hardpan. The work within the existing caisson portion and in the complete substructure includes the construction of heavy reinforced concrete pump suction and discharge flumes, surge flumes, collecting channels, and fireproof structural steel framing with concrete and steel grating floors. The superstructure is to be constructed circular in plan with an outside diameter of 104 feet (approximate), with a height of 55 feet (approximate), finished grade to top of coping, with structural steel rigid frames, reinforced concrete roof, masonry walls with limestone and granite facing and ceramic tile interior finish. The work also includes the furnishing and installation of a 20 ton bridge crane, an hydraulic hoist, passenger elevator, lighting, heating, ventilating, plumbing, sluice gates, miscellaneous large and small piping systems, large pump suction and discharge castings and fittings, some 54-inch diameter water main, and the installation of gate valves. The main pumping units and dewatering pumps will be furnished and installed under other contracts.

The Contract Documents, including the Notice to Bidders, the Forms of Proposal and Agreement, the Specifications, and the Contract Drawings may be examined during business hours, at the office of the Department of Water Supply, Room 706 Water Board Building, Detroit, Michigan. The Contract Documents may be obtained by making a deposit of Seventy-Five Dollars ($75.00) per set, which sum will be refunded upon the return of the complete Contract Documents in good condition within thirty (30) days after the bid date, or if used in making a bona fide proposal.

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a certified check or a satisfactory bidder's bond in an amount not less than five per cent (5%) of the total lump sum price bid, drawn payable to the City of Detroit, Board of Water Commissioners, as security for the acceptance of the Contract.

No proposal may be withdrawn for at least sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids.

The Board of Water Commissioners reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid and to accept any bid, or to reject any or all bids, should it deem it to be in the best interests of the City of Detroit so to do.

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Bids: October 15, 1952

Construction of Substructure

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION
361 East Broad Street
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Ohio Turnpike Commission at Columbus, Ohio, for bids on the construction of the substructure for a bridge to be built over the Cuyahoga River in Summit County, Ohio. Bidders will be required to furnish all labor, tools, materials, supplies, equipment, including floating equipment, machinery, vehicular transportation, and other facilities, utilities, and all things necessary or proper for, and to perform all work necessary or incidental to, the construction of the bridge substructure, complete in every respect, in strict accordance with the plans, specifications, and other contract documents.

The approximate quantities of the major construction items for the bridge substructure are as follows:

Dry and Wet Excavation	9,500 C. Y.
Steel Bearing Piles	35,000 L. F.
Concrete	20,000 C. Y.
Reinforcing Steel	813,000 Lbs.

Plans, specifications, and contract documents for the work to be performed are on file and may be inspected at the office of the Chief Engineer, Ohio Turnpike Commission, in Columbus, Ohio. A set of these papers may be purchased for the sum of $10.00, which sum is non-returnable.

All proposals must be on the form prescribed by the Commission and must comply with the terms and conditions set forth in the contract documents.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a certified check on a solvent bank, payable to the order of the Ohio Turnpike Commission in an amount not less than 5% of the total amount bid in said proposal. Said certified check will be held by the Commission as a guarantee that, if the proposal is accepted, a contract will be entered into and the performance of the proposal will be secured.

All bids must be received on or before 10:00 o'clock A.M., E.S.T., Wednesday, October 15, 1952, in the offices of the Ohio Turnpike Commission, 361 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio, at which time they will be publicly opened and read.

The award of the contract, if it is awarded, will be to the lowest and best bidder whose proposal complies with all prescribed requirements. The Commission reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive technicalities.

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION
September 15, 1952

Bids: November 12, 1952

Bridge Over the Ohio River

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
AT LAWRENCEBURG, INDIANA

Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the chairman of the Indiana State Toll Bridge Commission in Room 302, Indiana State House, Indianapolis, Indiana, until 10:30 A.M., Central Standard Time, on the 12th day of November, 1952. Said proposals will then be immediately publicly opened and read.

Proposals are for furnishing the materials and constructing, complete, a vehicular bridge over the Ohio River at Lawrenceburg, Indiana. It is intended that the award will be made for Contract I, "Substructure"; Contract II, "Superstructure"; and Contract III, "Toll House and Office Building"; to one or more bidders separately or in any combination of two or more contracts.

The bridge, together with approach roads, will provide a connection between Indiana State Routes I and 48 and U. S. Route 50 in Indiana and Kentucky State Route 20. The approach roads are not a part of the work included in these contracts.

The bridge is being built to serve highway traffic only and is to have a concrete roadway of 24'-0" clear width with 2'-0" safety curbs. The main spans are through trusses of the three-span continuous tied-arch type, spanning openings of 412½ feet, 825 feet and 412½ feet, respectively. The Indiana approach consists of sixteen simple beam spans and three units of four-span continuous girders, making a total length of approximately 1,846 feet. The Kentucky approach is composed of one four-span continuous girder unit about 328 feet long. The total length of bridge, back to back of abutment backwalls, is approximately 3,835 feet.

All of the substructure units are of reinforced concrete construction. The Indiana approach substructure is supported on treated timber piles, except Bents 16, 17 and 28, which are on steel bearing piles. The main span piers are founded on rock, except Pier 29, which is supported on steel bearing piles driven to rock. The Kentucky approach bents are founded on rock Abutment 36 is on steel bearing piles driven to rock.

In addition to the bridge construction, a toll house and office building is to be constructed near the intersection of Duhme Street and Front Street in Lawrenceburg and a portion of the Lawrenceburg Flood Control District's existing collector drain will be relocated.

Construction will require the use of approximately 3,100 tons of structural carbon steel, 1,700 tons structural low-alloy steel, 20,500 cubic yards of concrete and 38,700 lineal feet of piling.

The Bureau of Public Roads, U. S. Department of Commerce, the claimant agency under the National Production Authority has advised the project meets the criteria of essentiality and is eligible for an allotment of controlled materials. Contractors requesting plans will be advised of the quarterly allocations as soon as this information is available. Steel sheet piling for temporary use will not be included in the allocation as it can be purchased or rented by the Contractor as equipment.

Proposals shall be submitted in sealed envelopes addressed to the Chairman of the Indiana State Toll Bridge Commission, Room 302, Indiana State House, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Copies of the plans, proposals and special provisions are on file at the following addresses:

1. Walter G. Koch, Chairman
   Indiana State Tool Bridge Commission
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   Evansville 7, Indiana.
2. Sverdrup & Parcel
   Consulting Engineers
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   Indianapolis 4, Indiana
5. F. W. Dodge Corporation
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These plans, proposals and special provisions will be furnished prospective bidders at the office of Sverdrup & Parcel, or copies will be forwarded upon receipt of request for same. In either case, the following charges will be made for these documents:

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Superstructure—Contract II	25.00
Toll House & Office Building—Contract III	5.00

Checks should be made payable to "Sverdrup & Parcel". No refunds or credit will be made for material returned.

Proposals must be made upon Standard Forms furnished by the Indiana State Toll Bridge Commission. Bidding proposals will be furnished not later than 9:30 A.M., Central Standard Time, on the day of the Letting.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids, to advertise for new bids, to waive technicalities or to award on any bid that is most advantageous to the Commission.

INDIANA STATE TOLL BRIDGE COMN.
Walter G. Koch, Chairman
September 22, 1952.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: October 16, 1952.
Sept. 25, 1952

NOTICE FOR BIDDERS
CANAL IMPROVEMENT
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
DIVISION OF WATER POLICY AND SUPPLY

Sealed proposals for the construction of the "Five-Mile Lock Control Structure" on the Delaware and Raritan Canal in Franklin Township, Somerset County, New Jersey, will be received by the Division of Water Policy and Supply at its office, Room 307, 520 East State Street, Trenton, N.J., until 2:00 p.m. (E.S.T.) Thursday, October 16, 1952, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read.

The work includes the construction of by-pass waterway, cofferdams and pumping, removal of existing timber headwall, wing-walls, and original timber wicket gate structure and operating machinery; constructing new reinforced concrete gate structure and wing walls; installation of three sluice gates, repair of old lock walls, repair of existing spillway; miscellaneous work, restoring site. Approximate quantities involved are: Foundation excavation 250 cu. yds.; rock excavation 100 cu. yds.; Concrete, (Class D) 125 cu. yds.; concrete (Class B) 210 cu. yds.; rip-rap slope protection 150 sq. yds.; reinforcing steel 10,000 lbs.; pneumatically applied mortar protection, 9,400 sq. ft.

Drawings, specifications, form of bid, contract and bond for the proposed work will be on file at the Canal Office of the Division, 342 Academy Street, Trenton, N.J., and may be inspected by prospective bidders during regular office hours. Plans will be furnished on the deposit of $10 for each set on application to the Canal Office.

Bids must be made on standard proposal forms and must be submitted in sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder on the outside, marked "Proposal for Five-Mile Lock Control Structure", and must be accompanied by a certified check drawn to the order of the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey in the amount of ten per cent of the bid submitted, and must be delivered at the above place on or before the time stated. Copies of standard proposal forms will be furnished on application. Prequalification of bidders will be required. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids. BY ORDER OF THE WATER POLICY AND SUPPLY COUNCIL, John Wyack, Secretary.

Bids: October 17, 1952

Road Work

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals, addressed to
STATE OF MISSOURI, acting by and through
THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION OF MISSOURI
Jefferson City, Missouri,

and endorsed "Proposal" for constructing (or improving) Route 54, Project F-97(10), Cole & Callaway County, will be received by the Commission until 10:00 o'clock A.M., on the 17th day of October, 1952, at the office of the Commission in the State Highway Building at Jefferson City, and at that time will be publicly opened and read.

The proposed work includes: Four pneumatic piers for a bridge across the Missouri River at Jefferson City, with the following principal quantities: concrete 16,160 Cu. Yd.; reinforcing steel, 521,560 Lb.

The time for completion of the work is August 1, 1953.

See Missouri Standard Specifications, Edition of 1950, for general specification and construction requirements.

Plans and specifications may be inspected in offices of the Commission at Jefferson City, or the Division Engineer at Jefferson City, Missouri. Complete instructions to bidders and proposal blanks may be obtained at the Jefferson City office.

Proposals must be on forms provided. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

REX M. WHITTON,
Chief Engineer.

U. S. Government

St. Paul District, Corps of Engineers, US Army, 1217 U. S. Post Office & Custom House, St. Paul 1, Minnesota—Sealed bids will be received at this office until 2:00 P. M., C.S.T., September 30, 1952, and then publicly opened, for Removal of Sunken Barge, Mississippi River, near Alma, Wisconsin. Information on request.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: October 16, 1952.

New York State Road Work

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Albany, N. Y.,—Pursuant to the provisions of the Highway Law, and Article 2, Title 9 of the Public Authorities Law, and special provisions for projects financed with federal aid funds, sealed proposals will be received until ten-thirty o'clock A.M., eastern standard time on October 16, 1952 by Henry A. Cohen, Director, Bureau of Contracts & Accounts, 14th Floor, The Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany, N. Y., for the following projects:

County	Contract No.	Name	Miles	Type	Deposit	Estimated Cost of Work
		DISTRICT No. 2 LACY KETCHUM, District Engineer, 109 No. Genesee St., Utica, New York				
Montgomery	S.T. 52-23	Bullshead Road C.R. 23 & Pattersonville Rd. CR 20 Crossing the N.Y.S. Thwy.–Mohawk Section–Subd. 16 (So. Amsterdam By-Pass–Pattersonville)	0.69	Asp. Conc. Ty. 1A, Opt. Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 282' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 201.83'	$20,000 Plans $15	$371,000
		DISTRICT No. 4 J. P. LARSEN, District Engineer, Barge Canal Terminal, Rochester, New York				
Genesee	FAC 52-14	Batavia City: Main St. & Oak Street Extension Proj. U-706(3); U-377(10)	0.78	Asp. Conc. Ty. 2A 3 Sp. Br. Alpha I-Beam 148'	40,000 Plans $15	692,000
Genesee & Monroe	S.T. 52-22 O.T. 52-14 R.C. 52-102	New York State Thruway–Ontario Section–Subdivision 5A, 5B, 6A, 6B, 7A West Bergen Road; Beulah Rd.; Palmer Rd.; Winslow Rd.; Wheatland Center Rd.; Union Street Rd.; Batavia–Bergen Pt. 1, SH 8179; Stafford–So. Byron–Byron Pt. 1, SH 1865; Le Roy–Brockport Pt. 3, SH 1730 Riga–Mumford, SH 1284; Scottsville–Chili, SH 5279;	1.04 Thwy. (4.48 Acc.)	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 2 @ 25' & 22' = 1.71 Mi. Asp. Conc. Ty. 1A, Opt. = 3.81 Mi. Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 237.67' Twin Br. I-Beam 46.2' Each Hy. Sep. 5 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 294.75' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 223.92' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 266' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 207.03' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 230.75' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 224.75' Hy. Sep. Rig. Frame 31' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 255' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 226.47' Hy. Sep. 4 Sp. Alpha I-Beam 234.86'.	200,000 Plans $100	3,400,000
Ontario	FAC 52-8P FAC 52-9 FAGC 52-10	Geneva City: Lake Front Arterial, Pts 1 & 1A Proj. U-UG-452(6)	0.98 (Acc. 0.14)	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 48'-58' Wide = 0.99 Mi. Asp. Conc. Ty. 1A, Opt. = 0.11 Mi. Misc. Work = 0.02 Mi. R.R. Sep. Alpha I-Beam 326.08' Hy. Sep. Rig. Frame Arch 70'	$75,000 Plans $25	1,370,000
		DISTRICT No. 6 H. F. BAUMM, District Engineer, State Office Building, Cornell, New York				
Schuyler	FARC 52-99	Watkins–Lodi, Pt. 3 S.H. 8035 Proj. F-626(4)	1.41	Asp. Conc. Ty. 1A, Opt. 22' Sp. R.C. Arch Br.	$35,000 Plans $15	613,000
		DISTRICT No. 8 J. S. BIXBY, District Engineer, Pleasant Valley Road, Poughkeepsie, New York				
Westchester	HT 52-3	N. Y. State Thruway–Hudson Section Sub. 9B (Hudson River Bridge)	0.92	Dredging Foundation Work (Including Caisson & Piles) & Misc. Work	725,000 Plans $25	13,208,000
		DISTRICT No. 10 J. J. DARCY, District Engineer, Montauk Highway, Babylon, Long Island, N. Y.				
Bronx	FACBE 52-1	Cross Bronx Expy. Cont. 9S, Proj. U1-1084(16)	Exp. 0.65 (Acc. 1.72)	9" Cem. Conc. Pavt. 2 @ 36' & Var. = 0.95 Mi. Sheet Asp. Pavt. = 1.23 Mi. Misc. Work = 0.19 Mi. Hy. Sep. 2 Sp. Rig. Frame 99.67' Hy. Sep. 2 Sp. Rig. Frame 103'	$262,000 Plans $100	4,813,600
Bronx	FAMDE 52-5	Major Deegan Expressway (Contract 6) Proj. U-1082(12)	1.29 Exp. (0.28 Acc.)	Grading, Drainage & Misc. Work = 1.29 Mi. Sheet Asp. Pavt. = 0.12 Mi. Cem. Conc. Pavt. = 0.16 Mi. Hy Sep. Alpha I-Beam 119.69' Hy. Sep. Alpha I-Beam 98.55'	$415,000 Plans $100	7,520,000
Kings	FABQE 52-1	Brooklyn–Queens Exp. (Cont. 16) Proj. U-1066(9)	0.80	Demolition of Bldgs.	$30,000 Plans $10	510,000

Special attention of bidders is called to "General Information for Bidders" in the proposal, specification, and contract agreement, and to the special provisions applying to projects financed with federal funds. Award of a contract is subject to the "Controlled Materials Plan" of the National Production Authority as well as to regulations issued thereunder.

Proposal for each contract must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by draft or certified check payable to the order of the "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation and Finance" for the sum as specified in the advertisement and the proposal. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bonds shall conform to the provisions of the Highway Law, as set forth in "Instructions to Bidders".

When optional types are permitted on contracts with federal funds, bidders must state in the space provided in the proposal the exact designation of the optional type upon which the proposal is predicated.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

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OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Maps, plans, specifications and proposal forms may be seen and obtained at the office of the State Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contracts & Accounts, Albany, N. Y., and at the office of the District Engineers noted below, and may also be seen at the office of the State Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City.

The deposit for plans and proposal forms for each contract is indicated below. A refund will be made in full to bidders for the return of one set in good condition within 30 days of award or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

OFFICIAL PROPOSALS

Bids: October 16, 1952

Overhead Steel Rolling Doors

THE PORT OF NEW YORK AUTHORITY
OVERHEAD STEEL ROLLING DOORS
LA GUARDIA AIRPORT, QUEENS, NEW YORK
CONTRACT O & M-158

Sealed proposals for furnishing all labor, material, and equipment to furnish and install overhead steel rolling doors at West Storage Garage, La Guardia Airport, Queens, New York, will be received at the office of the Director of Purchase of The Port of New York Authority, Room 1402, 111 8th Ave., New York 11, until 11:00 A.M. (E.S.T.) Thursday, October 16, 1952, at which time and place, bids will be publicly opened and read.

Contract documents may be obtained upon request at the office of the Director of Purchase.

The Port of New York Authority
Howard S. Cullman, Chairman
New York, New York

Bids: October 21, 1952

The Imperial-Compton Project

PUBLIC HOUSING
BID DATE POSTPONED
(Imperial-Compton Project, Cal 4-13)

The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles, California, has extended the bid opening date, for the Imperial-Compton Project, Cal 4-13, from October 7th, 1952, to OCTOBER 21, 1952, and will include in the proposal the construction of a Community Building and other additions to the scope of the work. Plans and Specifications for the Community Building are now available.

U. S. Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-3808) will be received at Yuma, Arizona, until October 23, 1952, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork, concrete lining, and structures for Wellton Canal, Station 618+25 to Station 1059+25; Lateral M-14.8, Station 0+68 to Station 17+66; and Unit 1, Wellton Distribution System; Wellton-Mohawk Division, Gila Project, Arizona. Location: 6 miles northeast of Wellton, Arizona. Principal items are: 500,000 cu.yds. excavation; 875 cu.yds. concrete in structures; 3,600 cu.yds. concrete in lining; 6,400 lin.ft. precast concrete pipe, 30 to 54 inches in diameter; 64,000 lbs. gates and other metalwork; and other work. Completion time 360 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Yuma, Arizona; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, Director of Sanitary Engineering, D. C., September 19, 1952. Sealed proposals will be received in Room 429, District Building, 14th and E Streets, N. W., Washington 4, D. C., until 2:00 P. M., OCTOBER 16, 1952, EASTERN STANDARD TIME, and then publicly opened and read for Chlorination Plant, Structures and Equipment (Unit 20), Sewage Treatment Plant, Washington, D. C. This project will house equipment furnished by others, for Pre- and Post-chlorination in a Sewage Treatment Plant to serve 1,500,000 persons. Proposal Forms, Drawings and Specifications may be obtained from the Chief Clerk, Engineer Department, (Secretary, Contract Board, D. C.) Room 427, District Building, upon the deposit of a certified check made payable to the Collector of Taxes, D. C., in the amount of FIFTY DOLLARS ($50.00 for each set). (Telephone National 6000, Extension 2378.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-3807) will be received at Escondido, California, until October 16, 1952, for furnishing labor and materials for: Steel siphon and structures, Second Pipe Line, San Luis Rey River Crossing, North Station 1901+60 to North Station 1968+15. Location: Near Fallbrook, California. Principal items are: Excavation and backfill 15,000 cu.yds.; 6,600 lin.ft. of 48-inch diameter plate steel pipe; and other work. Completion time 420 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Escondido, California; Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

BIDS FOR REPLATING STEEL BARGES—Memphis District, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, P. O. Box 97, Memphis 1, Tenn. Sealed bids will be received until 11:00 a.m., C.S.T., 21 October 1952, and then publicly opened for replating ten steel material barges. Information on request.

U. S. Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. DC-3809) will be received at Grand Junction, Colorado, until October 16, 1952, for furnishing labor and materials for earthwork and structures for construction of Fire Mountain Canal Extension, Station 0+00 to Station 96+11.7, Paonia Project. Location: Near Hotchkiss, Colorado. Principal items are: 41,000 cu. yds. excavation for canal; 264,000 sta. yds. overhaul; 1,200 cu. yds. placing earth lining in canal; 100 cu. yds. concrete in structures; 3,200 lbs. furnishing and installing screw lift gates; and other work. Completion time 200 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Grand Junction, Colorado; or Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Invitation No. DS-3813) will be received at Denver, Colorado, until October 30, 1952, for furnishing one lot of structural steel for four railroad bridges for East Low Canal, Columbia Basin Project, Washington. Delivery is desired within 330 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Invitation No. DS-3805) will be received at Denver, Colorado, until October 28, 1952, for furnishing two vertical-shaft, 8,500-horsepower, 240-rpm hydraulic turbines; two vertical-shaft, 2,600 horsepower, 450-rpm hydraulic turbines; and, two vertical-shaft, centrifugal pumps each with 167 cfs capacity under a total head of 108 feet for Chandler Power and Pumping Plant, Yakima Project, Washington. Delivery is desired within 670 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Building 53, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

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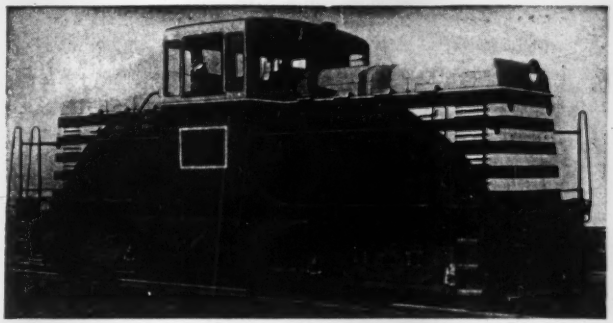

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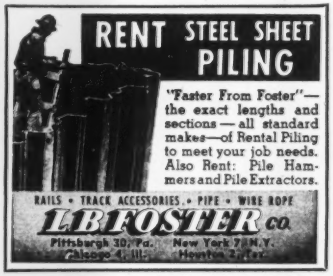

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Straight-in-line mounting is still retained. By this method the engine is mounted longitudinally on the turntable so that the output or power takeoff shaft is directly in line with the input shaft of the main machinery gearing. The first reduction is a worm and worm gear which connect through a roller-chain-type flexible coupling to the torque converter. The straight-in-line mounting, in combination with the worm gear, greatly simplifies the problem of adapting engines of various makes and speeds to the company's machines and is particularly advantageous in the case of the torque converter.

The engine clutch (and its related lever system) has been eliminated. In conventionally-driven machines this is located between the engine and gear case and is required as a disconnect clutch because of rigid mechanical drive. There being no such mechanical connection between the engine and main machinery input shaft when a torque converter is used, the company engineers saw no need for it.

In addition to elimination of shock loads, the company claims that fluid torque drive builds up line pull without excessive load, gives smoother control of all operations, provides steady power for peak loads without stalling, increases lugging power for hard excavating and provides for regulated load handling by throttle control.

The machines have been thoroughly field-tested in operations for shovel, clamshell, dragline, backhoe, etc. UNIT CRANE AND SHOVEL CORP., 6411 W. BURNHAM ST., MILWAUKEE 14, WISCONSIN.

Engine-generator set designed for contractors

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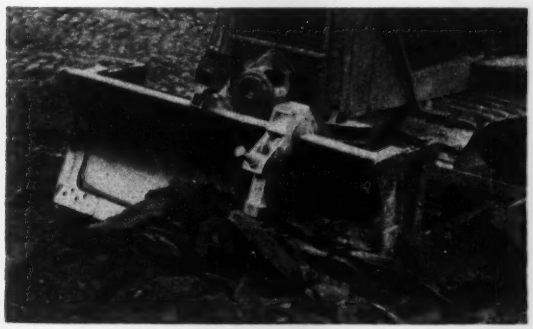

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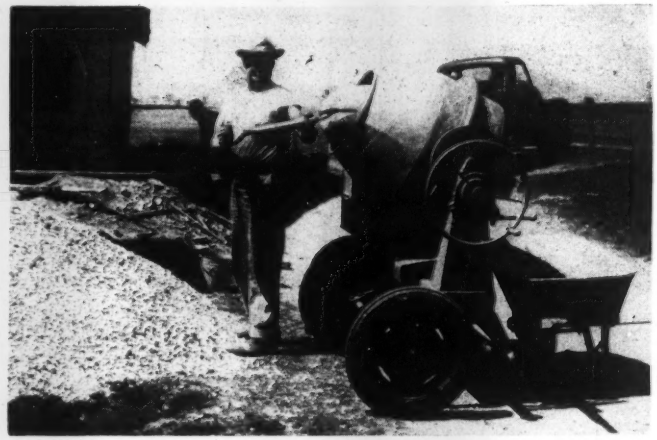

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In designing their new 3½-S Dandie mixer, Kwik-Mix Co. had maintenance in mind. Accordingly, there are high-pressure automotive-type fittings on anti-friction bearings on drum, drive shaft and wheels. Only five Alemite fittings need weekly servicing, according to the manufacturer, and multiple V-belts for power transmission can be replaced quickly and easily. The engine house cover comes off as a unit for starting, checking and servicing convenience.

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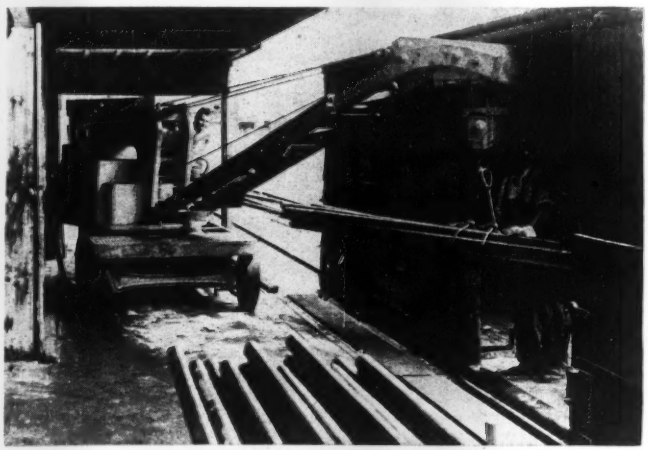

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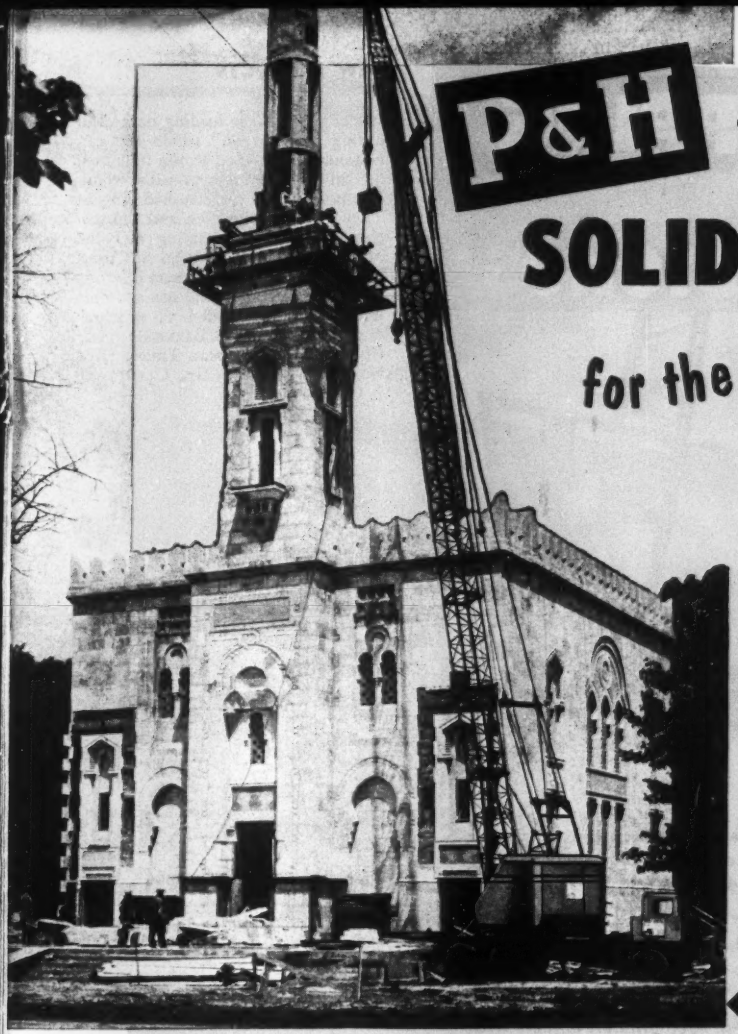

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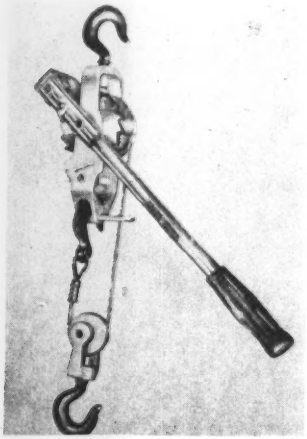
proper spot on the loading deck after having "hooked on" inside the car. National says it used to use four men on this job heretofore—with countless possibilities for smashed fingers. They now use two men and the machine—one man operating and the other guiding—and it takes less time. The rig is said to cut man-hour requirements by 60% and has not only lessened, but precluded all smashed-finger accidents. The Baker-Raulang Co., Baker Industrial Truck Division, 1230 W. 80th St., Cleveland 2, Ohio.



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The new Lug-All 1½-ton alloy winch-hoist, built for the rugged requirements of heavy construction and the utilities, offers many new and useful features. It has a 30-to-1 power ratio and has been tested to 100 per cent overload. Weight is only 8½ lb and features include top-grade preformed flexible aircraft cable, stainless steel fittings and springs and permanently-oiled bearings. The handle is reversible and can be readily removed if a rigging must be left overnight.

A combination of three swivel hooks and a built-in pulley block allow work to be done around corners. It can be operated in any position and can be set for forward, reverse or free wheeling. Cable length is 10 ft, but any extension length is optional.

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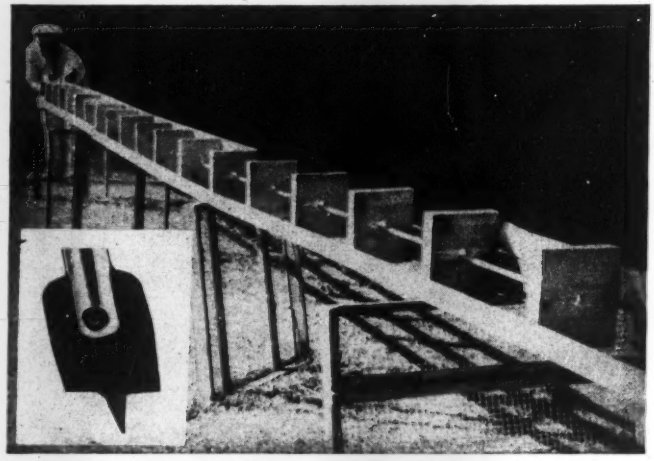

Boring set, with ¼-in. drill, drives hole through 27 ft of joists

A new boring set and extensions, powered by a ¼-in. electric drill, can bore holes of from ⅜ to 1 in. diameters through 27 ft of joists or studding, or through 56 in. of solid wood. The set consists of a 5½-in. steel shaft and four tempered, blue spring-steel blades, sized 1 in., ⅞, ¾ and ⅝ in. diameter. An allen wrench permits easy blade changing without removing the shaft from the electric drill.

Each blade point has a front rake which also permits power drilling of holes in low melting point plastics. According to the manufacturer, tests at the shop laboratories of the University of Illinois show that the Time Saver bit takes ¼ to ½ less horsepower (because of less torque) than bits of similar construction.

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A new gear motor, designed to simplify maintenance in case of electrical failure of the stator, has been announced by the General Electric Co.'s Small and Medium Motor Department. It has three parts: a G-E Tri-Clad motor, a planetary gear and a mechanical adapter. It is available in speed ratings of 780 to 13.5 rpm.

The mechanical adapter serves the triple function of acting as the pulley end-shield for the motor, the motor end-shield of the gear housing, and a mechanical spacer for easy accessibility to the stator frame bolts.

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A new twin-cylinder stencil duplicator was recently announced, this time a double legal size machine. Its printing area is 17 x 13½ in.—it can handle paper in sizes up to 18¼ x 15 in.—it can print two single legal or letter size sheets simultaneously—or two single sheets (note size to legal size) at the same time. All sizes are fed automatically as with its predecessor, Model D-270.

Other features which the manufacturer lists are: hairline registration through double-action synchronized paper feed; quick exchange of colors with no change of drums; automatic paper feed, reliable for all kinds of paper from air mail to card stock, and easy adjustment of height and margin. REX-ROTARY DISTRIBUTING CORP., 19 WEST 31ST STREET, NEW YORK 1, N. Y.

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Explosion-Proof Motors – Construction details of Allis-Chalmers explosion-proof, fan-cooled and non-ventilated motors are described in a new bulletin released by the company. Type APZZ, available in ratings of 3 to 100 hp, are fan-cooled. Type APKK, non-ventilated units, are available in fractional rating hp from ½ to 2. Bulletin number is 51B7286A, and is available from ALLIS-CHALMERS MANUFACTURING CO., 1018 S. 70TH STREET, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Exit and directional lighting—Thirty-one distinct types of signs, attractively illustrated and printed in two colors are featured in this 8-page catalog supplement. General specifications for edgelites, surface mounted units, surface mounted exit signs, recessed exit signs and moulded glass directional globes are listed in addition to specific information regarding face, letter height, overall lengths and height and fixture width. GRUBER BROS., INC., 125 SOUTH FIRST ST., BROOKLYN 11, N. Y.

Acid-Proof Materials and Construction—Three descriptive and technical bulletins are offered: (1) Bulletin No. 139 discusses Eonite pipe and fittings, made of furan resin material reinforced with laminations of chemical glass fabric cloth, for handling most mineral acids, alkalis, and organic solvents; (2) Bulletin No. 160 discusses the acid-proof construction of pickling and plating tanks; process tanks, vessels, and towers; pickling and plating basins; acid-proof floors. Structural work may be steel or concrete. Covering materials are Pyroflex lining, acid-proof cement. (3) Bulletin No. 190 discusses Eonite lacquer, a coating to protect interior or exterior surfaces from the corrosive effects of gases, vapors, mists, and liquids. This lacquer is furnished with black, gray, or metallic pigment. Installations are made by the company's field men or by customers' labor under Aqua-Therm supervision.—AQUA-THERM, INC., 37-73 N. TORRENCE ST., DAYTON 1, OHIO.

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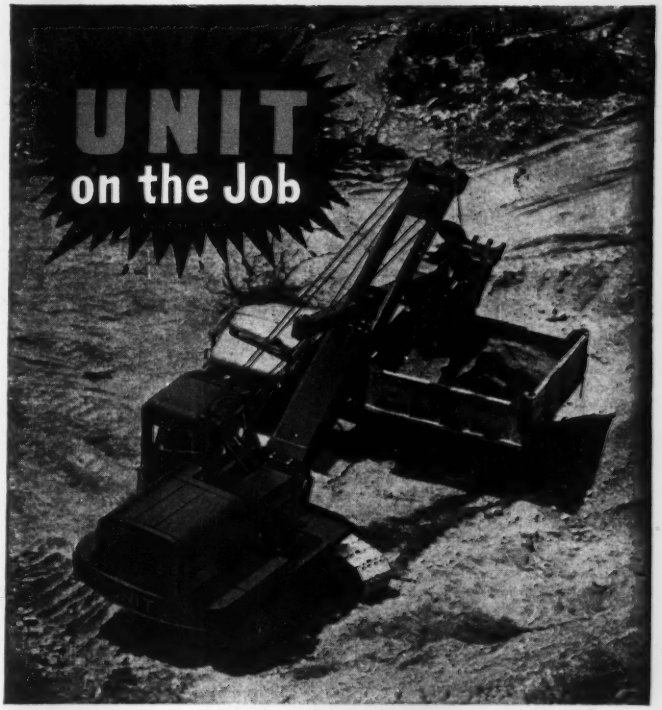

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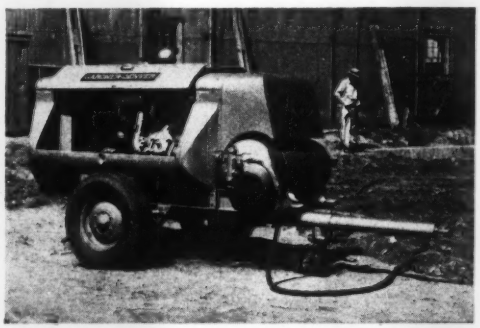

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Ask for Bulletin No. 79-A. SILENT HOIST AND CRANE CO., BROOKLYN 20, N. Y.

Wire rope splicer—A data sheet on the Torquemaster wire rope splicers contains illustrations that show how even an inexperienced worker can take advantage of this machine for wire rope splicing. The rig's ability to overcome cable torque through a resistance regulator and swivel-action jaws makes possible savings in splicing manhours up to 50% according to the sheet. QUAY INDUSTRIES, 100 BARR BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Secret airbases

LAST WEEK the Department of Defense took the great airbase at Thule, Greenland, off the secret list—no doubt to the great amusement of the Russians who have known about it since its construction started eighteen months ago. During all that period the principal result of the secrecy classification has been to complicate the work of the engineers and contractors and to increase the cost of the job to the American taxpayer. Isn't it about time that once negotiations have been completed with a foreign country for the United States to build an airbase on its soil, that construction be carried on without the debilitating effect of the secrecy label?

The abortive effort at secrecy on the Moroccan airbases should be sufficient to teach a lasting lesson. Had the confusion and cost of the "crash" program of construction been open to public inspection at all times, it seems certain that remedial measures would have been taken long before they were. As it was, everybody from the State Department on down procrastinated in making the necessary decisions to cut the waste that always accompanies rush construction.

Had the facts been known, public opinion and congressional pressure could have forced the French to quit stalling on providing right-of-way and sites. Had the contractor, the architect-engineer, the Corps of Engineers, and the Air Force been free, publicly, to question or criticize the actions and decisions of one another—as they would on a non-secret job—some errors would not have happened and others would have been quickly corrected. But these conditions did not prevail, so that everyone has an alibi, and a meritorious one at that—conditions beyond his control.

Now we are in the process of attempting to fix the blame, but in a manner that offers little hope for avoiding waste in the future. Suppose the State Department and Military Intelligence did err in deciding that Russia was so nearly ready to invade Europe that we needed airbases in Morocco quickly and at any cost? Suppose General Pick did err in telling the Air Force that the bases could be built on the rush schedule demanded, or that he did not assign the proper or necessary personnel to supervise the work under such a rush program? Suppose the Air Force did vacillate in its choice of airbase sites? Suppose the consulting engineers selected were more expert in foundations and runway construction than in hangars and housing and thus had to be supplemented later with another firm? Suppose the Army Engineer in charge did permit departure from specifications on some of the fill material and pavement surfacing in an effort to complete the job on schedule? Suppose the contractors were not able at first to keep their records up to date, or allowed a pipe line crew to loaf for a time instead of sending it back to the States until the French made up their minds to release right-of-way?

All of these things have been charged. Proving them will not return a single dollar to the U.S. treasury. And, as stated, there could be an excuse for each that would be justifiable under the circumstances. The problem is what to do in the future to assure that foreign airbases and other military construction will be carried out with the greatest efficiency and economy possible. One thing that offers great promise is to put an end to the phony secret label that is hung on jobs that can't be kept secret.

No charges have yet been made that there was waste on the Greenland job. But if waste is to be measured by what a secret, rush job costs over what it would have cost if it could have proceeded in the open and at a reasonably normal pace, there was waste at Thule, too. And there was probably some less-than-perfect construction.

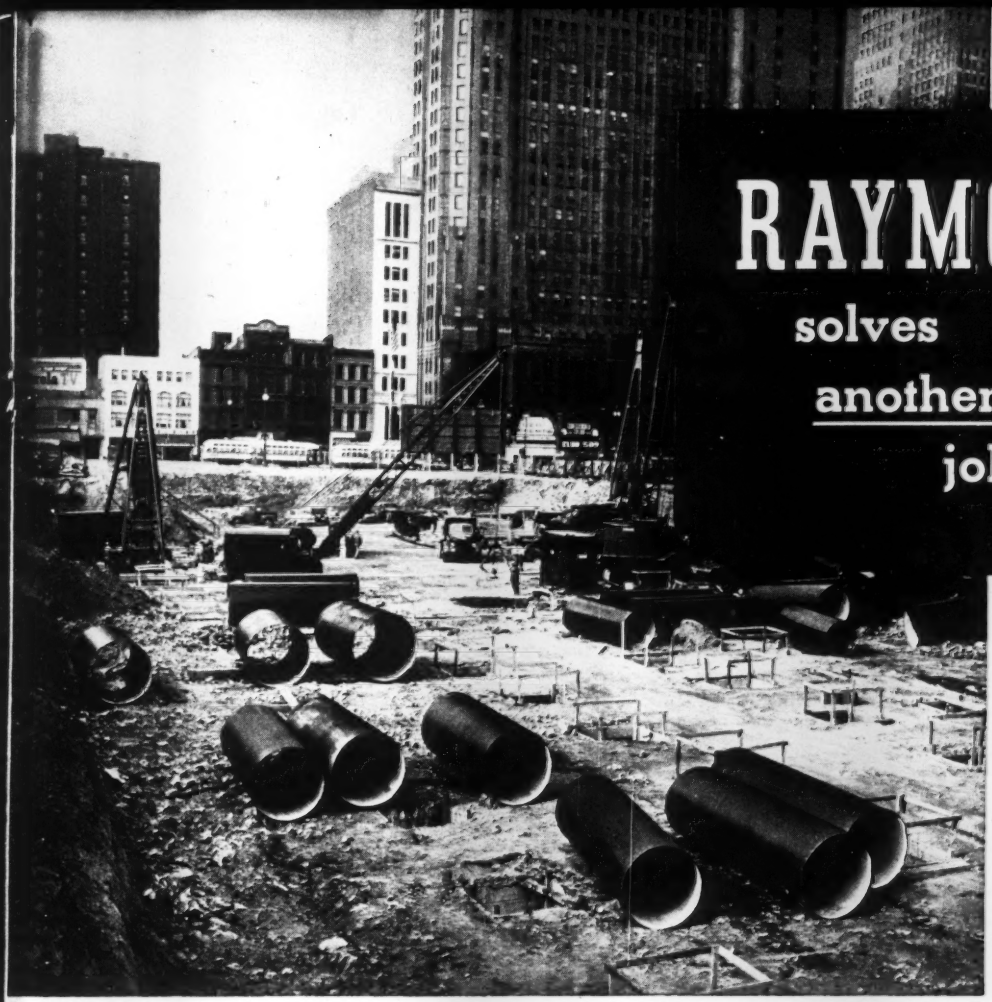
Someone has said, with respect to rush jobs, that "if you want them bad, you get them bad." If you also want them to be built in secret, they are apt to be worse, and certainly more costly.

Contractors in the middle

CONGRESS MUST FIND some way to solve its troubles with governmental departments which let contracts beyond the amount of funds granted them, and find it short of voiding the contract or requiring the contractor to return any payments made him. It is not the contractor's responsibility to determine whether a government agency is legally able to sign a particular contract with him. Yet that would seem to be implied in the Comptroller-General's ruling with respect to the Bureau of Reclamation overcommitting its authorization from Congress on the Eklutna hydro project in Alaska.

The fight—with contractors in the middle as innocent bystanders—is over whether Congressional authorizations are open-ended or not; that is, whether an agency can overcommit its authorization and then expect Congress to honor the increase with a supplemental authorization backed up by an appropriation. This has frequently been the practice in the past, but now it is declared to be illegal on the ground that within the last year some of the House committees have put definite spending limits on specific projects or on a group of related projects.

In tackling the problem Congress is making a laudable attempt to tighten its control of the nation's purse strings. Several kinds of legislation are being proposed, and the next Congress will probably be offered a bill to act upon. But one thing should be made certain—that contractors who enter into contracts with the federal government in good faith are protected and not penalized as they could be now.



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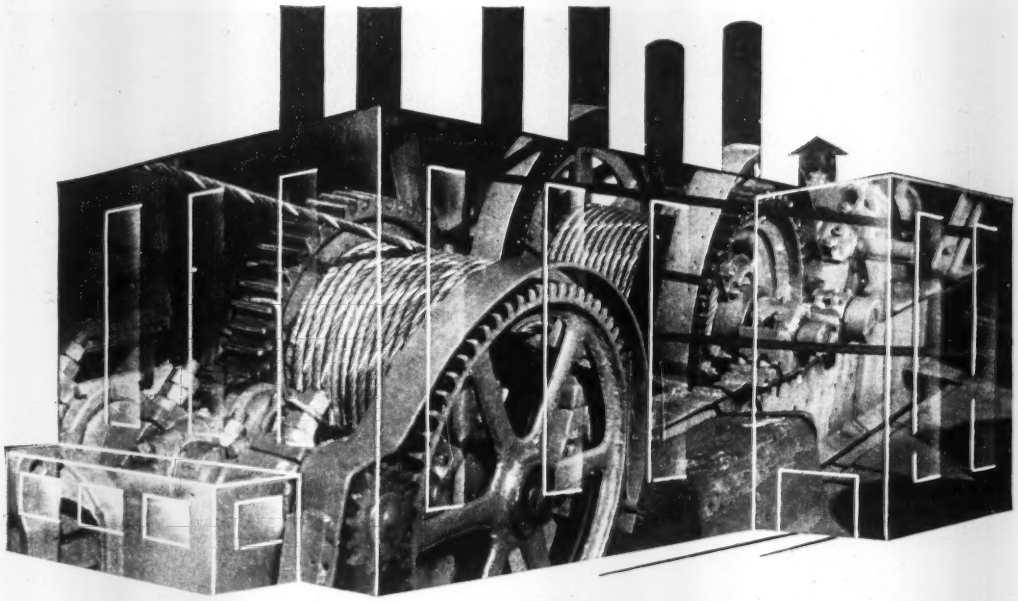

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